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**"TRADES UNIONISM"****PAN-PACIFIC SECRETARIAT****CLASS-WAR CREED****How Truth is Distorted: Kidnapping Upheld!****"WHITE TERROR" OF LAW AND ORDER**

Supported by adversity of facts, a treatise is given here which tends to prove that there is foreign influence behind the sinister attempts of Communists to stir up trouble out here under the guise of trades unionism.

What is being done by the moderates and extremists is described. Reference is made to the Hong Kong Seamen's Strike of 1922 and the anti-Hong Kong Boycott of 1926. And it is definitely stated that the Pan-Pacific Secretariat, with headquarters now in Hankow, plays big part in the plotting and in the dissemination of a class-war creed based on a curious, illogical distortion of truth. To this Secretariat is affiliated a portion of the Labour movement in countries peopled by the white race, declares a writer who calls himself "Fung Shui."

**REVOLUTIONARY ORIGIN**

That sturdy organisation, the Pan-Pacific Secretariat, has moved its headquarters from Shanghai to Hankow. The reason given is that the "White Terror" established at Shanghai provides an uncongenial atmosphere for the furtherance of its ideals. The "White Terror" is, of course, nothing of the sort. It is, certainly bloody enough, but is actually an attempt by the international leaseholders and the Chinese capitalists to maintain some semblance of law and order in an area which was rapidly relapsing into chaos.

**With Impunity**

One of the staple industries of Shanghai is kidnapping. If you want funds for a revolutionary organisation, you rent a house outside the foreign settlement, stroll over after dark and seize the first likely-looking Chinese merchant you run across.

Out of reach of the Settlement police, you can retain the gentleman with impunity while you arrange about the ransom. If he turns out to have no assets, you let him go, first snipping a piece out of his ear, so that future kidnappers won't waste their time over him; this is known as giving him a flesh-ticket.

**Bright Lights**

If he has money and his relations are slow in coming to the point, a finger or toe of the captive pushed under a relation's door will often work wonders.

It was Chen Chi-me, a highly respected revolutionary, who showed the possibilities of kidnapping in the early days of the Republic by lifting a Korean prince from the hotel in which I was staying. The royalty, well picked, was invited to step out and see the bright lights of the Foochow-road—and woke up in a dungeon in the native city. The funds thus extracted became the sinews of the civil war which happened shortly after.

**"Logical" Conclusion**

As Nationalist sentiment spread, the idea became current that wealthy natives sheltered in the foreign settlements to evade taxation, and that kidnapping them was a patriotic duty like income-tax assessment.

Finally, extreme trades unionists carried the argument to its logical conclusion. They argued that the native capitalist had no right to evade the application of their socialist principles by hiding behind foreign policemen. Several of the more radical unions owe their present favourable financial position to energetic kidnapping.

Lately the exasperated foreign police have extended their pursuit of the kidnappers beyond the Settlement boundaries, despite patriotic protests. Recently no less than 90 of them were in the municipal gaol awaiting execution.

**Principal Plank**

The Settlement police have thus made the environs of Shanghai more

**HIS MAJESTY'S HEALTH****RESTFUL SLEEP****GENERAL STRENGTH BEING MAINTAINED****MORE OPTIMISTIC TONE**

A British official wireless message from London yesterday, 8 p.m., states:—

This morning's bulletin after stating that the King had had some restful sleep and that his general strength was maintained added that further investigation of the right side of the chest would be undertaken during the day. It was subsequently announced that an x-ray examination of the patient had been carried out.

This was the second examination of the King. The first was conducted by Dr. Graham Hodgson, of King's College Hospital, and was undertaken in the first stages of illness. Dr. Hodgson again carried out the work to-day.

Regarded as "Good"

London, Yesterday.

Reuter says:—

The bulletin issued at 11.30 this morning stated that the King had some restful sleep and his general strength is maintained. A further investigation of the right side of the chest will be undertaken during the day.

STANLEY HEWITT,

Dawson of Penn.

No significance is attached to the late issue of the morning bulletin. It is authoritatively stated that the bulletin is definitely regarded as good. One of the doctors is at present concentrating his attention on the infection of the right side.

**Radiographs**

Radiographs of the King again were taken at Buckingham Palace this afternoon. The Red Cross radiographic car was drawn up in the precincts of the Palace and a cable led into the King's bedroom.

It is understood that this x-ray investigation, which was carried out by Dr. Graham Hodgson, who performed the previous one, was for the purpose of examining the right side of the chest, where tubercular infection had become localised and defined.

**Chinese Repudiation**

The interesting thing about the organisation is that the Chinese trades unionists themselves repudiate it. Trades unionism in China is older than the Republic; the unanimity with which Russia-cooles in Singapore downed shafts as one man in the past suggests that unionism is ingrained in the Chinese.

Hankow is also minus a British concession, that having been handed over to the Chinese authorities nearly two years ago. The absence of a British police force would undoubtedly be regarded as a blessing by the Pan-Pacific plotters.

**Situation Less Anxious**

"His Majesty's symptoms are improving and the situation is less anxious," says a message from Buckingham Palace, signed by the Private Secretary and received by the Norfolk Yeomanry Old Comrades' Association in reply to a message hoping for the King's speedy recovery.

**The Prince's Kit**

Sir Godfrey Thomas, principal secretary to the Prince of Wales, has left for Brindisi to meet the Prince. Sir Godfrey is conveying a complete outfit of clothing to the Prince in his rush home at least without kit.

**More Hopeful Tone**

A more hopeful tone is creeping into authoritative public utterances. For example, Sir Robert Armstrong Jones described this morning's bulletin as the most comforting since the King's illness.

Lord Lee of Fareham to-night said that owing to medical science there was now every prospect of a speedy and happy recovery.

**The Duke**

The Duke of Gloucester sailed from Capetown for home in the liner "Balmoral Castle" this afternoon. A large crowd assembled at the quayside to witness His Royal Highness' departure and heartily cheered him.

**Warmly Welcomed**

Reuter says:—

The Duke of Gloucester arrived at Capetown in the early morning yesterday. He sailed aboard the "Balmoral Castle" in the afternoon.

Wherever possible, the people of South Africa English, Dutch, black and white alike, have accorded the Duke of Gloucester remarkable and unrehearsed welcomes during his dash to Capetown. As an instance at Beaufort West, the capital of Karroo, a crowd collected at the railway station, headed by the town clerk, a veteran Dutchman, who conveyed their greetings and sympathy, and dwelt on the honour he felt in welcoming other royalties on various occasions. Native formed a picturesque background to the demonstration of loyalty.

At intervals through the long railway journey from North Rhodesia the Duke descended from

**GIGANTIC FRENCH FRAUD**

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**ONE OF THE MOST COLOSSAL SWINDLES****BIG SENSATION**

Paris, Yesterday.

Financial and political circles experienced, in the arrest of Madame Marthe Hanau and her divorced husband, Lazare Bloch, in connection with what is described as one of the most colossal financial swindles in French records.

Both are accused of huge frauds at the expense of small investors. Madame directed a vast share in the investment organisation of the Paris' "Gazette du Franc," founded in 1926 with the avowed idea of restoring public confidence in the franc.

The "Gazette" boosted the shares of her companies, published articles by several ministers and well-known authorities and once the front page was devoted to a letter from M. Poincaré.

The crash came when inquiries were opened on her proposal to issue bonds of 170,000,000 francs at a high interest.

An examination of the books, alleged to show an uncovered deficit of £800,000.

It is alleged that a number of deputes are involved in the scandal.

M. Poincaré, in the Chamber, promised a thorough investigation which judging by the cartloads of documents seized at the "Gazette" office, will probably be very protracted.

**"FRESH, FAIR"**

"Fresh N. E. winds, fair" is the forecast till noon tomorrow for Hong Kong and the south coast between Lantau, Gap Rock and Hainan. For Formosa Channel it is: "strong N. E. winds."

**1929 HOLIDAYS****OFFICIAL LIST FOR NEXT YEAR****SAME AS BEFORE**

The list of official holidays for next year is published in the "Government Gazette." It is the same as before, including 14 days, exclusive of Sundays. There has been talk of doing away with the "second Monday in October" and substituting October 10 (China's National Day) but nothing seems to have been done. In the list below, those which do not concern the Police Magistrate's department are denoted by an asterisk.

Jan. 1, Tuesday, New Year. Feb. 11, Monday, China New Year. Feb. 12, Tuesday, China New Year. March 20, Good Friday. \*March 30, Saturday. April 1, Easter Sunday. \*May 20, Whit Monday. June 3, Monday, H.M. the King's Birthday. July 1, Monday. Aug. 5, Monday. Oct. 14, Monday. Nov. 11, Monday, Armistice Day. Dec. 25, Wednesday, Christmas Day. Dec. 26, Thursday, Boxing Day. The Imports and Exports Departments will be open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on all holidays except Sundays, Feb. 11, March 29, and Dec. 25.

May 24, Friday, Empire Day is a public holiday.

**"JOY RIDE"****ENDS IN DISASTER AND COURT PROCEEDINGS****WARMLY WELCOMED**

Reuter says:—

The Duke of Gloucester arrived at Capetown in the early morning yesterday. He sailed aboard the "Balmoral Castle" in the afternoon.

It was alleged that it was taken out of its garage in Russell-street night, discussed some of his experiences during his memorable flight "Joy ride." The taxi first collided with a private richie and then swerved and ran into the wall of the Dragon Garage.

The two boys were arrested and charged before Major C. Willison, O.B.E., at the Central Magistracy this morning.

They were remanded until Monday morning.

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battlefields.

His staff state that the Duke's greatest feat on his hunting trip was the bagging of a black-maned lion.

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journey from North Rhodesia the Duke descended from

**TRAGIC DEATH OF MR. E. SHELLIM****A FORMER TAIPAN****SUCCUMBS AFTER FALL FROM HIS HORSE****EX-CHAIRMAN OF THE BANK**

The "China Mail" records with much regret the death of Mr. Edward Shellim, a former Hong Kong taipan.

Mr. Shellim was very prominent in Hong Kong business and formerly manager in Hong Kong of Messrs. David Sassoon & Co. He fell from his horse while riding at Brighton, says Reuter, and died.

Mr. Shellim was 59 years of age. He is survived by his wife, nee Miss Howard, the daughter of another former manager of Messrs. David Sassoon's and there is one daughter.

After about 30 years' residence in the Colony, Mr. Shellim retired in the autumn of 1918, being succeeded by Mr. A. H. Compton, the present manager. Mr. Shellim went to Shanghai for a year or two and then settled down at Home.

**Member of Council**

Mr. Shellim was an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, an unofficial Justice of the Peace and an elected member of the Licensing Board.

He had been chairman of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and was director for many years. He was a director of Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., Central Estates, Ltd., Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.; a member of the consulting committee of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., among other activities. Mr. Shellim served as member of the committees of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, member of the War Charities General Committee, member of the committee of Sailors' Home, chairman of the Finance Committee of Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, and president of "Ohele Leah" Synagogue.

**NAVAL CRUISE****FLAGSHIP RETURNING FROM JAPAN****DUE ON WEDNESDAY**

The visit of the British 5th Cruiser Squadron to Japanese waters has concluded.

H.M.S. "Kent" (flagship) and H.M.S. "Berwick" left Yokohama yesterday for Hong Kong, and are due here on Wednesday.

H.M.S. "Suffolk" left Yokohama today for Woosung, the port of Shanghai.

H.M.S. "Hermes," the aircraft carrier, left Jeddou yesterday and arrived at Kudat in the course for her southern cruise.

**PROHIBITION****U.S. SPENDING**

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Washington, Yesterday.

"Wet battalions" were responsible for a heated debate in the House of Representatives, terminating the passage of a bill appropriating \$13,500,000 to administer prohibition. Reuter's American Service.

**AERO ENGINE****PRAISED HIGHLY BY BERT HINKLER**

London, Yesterday.

Squadron Leader Bert Hinkler, at the Royal Aeronautical Society last night, discussed some of his experiences during his memorable flight "Joy ride." The taxi first collided with a private richie and then swerved and ran into the wall of the Dragon Garage.

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In a hotel lounge we heard a woman say that wagging had its points. And sharp ones, too.

The protest against the peril of damps continues. But some people are always in the dumps.

People wishing to grow fat are advised to eat "dry cereal foods." And to read funny serial stories?

In a hotel lounge we heard a woman say that wagging had its points. And sharp ones, too.

Dean Inge suggests that Saint George was a dishonest army contractor. Why? Did he get the O.B.E.?





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AKI MARU . . . . . Wednesday, 23rd January.  
GOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.  
† MURORAN MARU . . . . . Thursday, 18th December.  
† NAGATO MARU . . . . . Thursday, 27th December.  
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GINYO MARU . . . . . Tuesday, 18th December.  
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.  
KAMAKURA MARU . . . . . Saturday, 5th January.  
NEW YORK via PANAMA.  
† ABUKA MARU . . . . . Wednesday, 12th December.  
† TAKAOKA MARU . . . . . Monday, 31st December.  
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.  
† DAKAI MARU . . . . . Friday, 21st December.  
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.  
† CEYLON MARU . . . . . Monday, 10th December.  
† MORIOKA MARU . . . . . Sunday, 16th December.  
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.  
MANILA MARU . . . . . Saturday, 29th December.  
BOMBAY—via Singapore & Colombo.  
INDUS MARU . . . . . Thursday, 3rd January.  
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BURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—via Singapore & Colombo.  
MEXICO MARU . . . . . Sunday, 5th January.  
CALCUTTA—via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.  
TACOMA MARU (omits Penang) . . . . . Wednesday, 2nd January.  
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & V. ANCOUVER—via Japan Ports From Shanghai.  
ARIZONA MARU . . . . . Tuesday, 18th December.  
MELBOURNE—via Manilla, Brisbane & Sydney.  
BIRMA MARU . . . . . Saturday, 5th January.  
SAIGON—via Hainan & Pahkoh.  
\* MENADO MARU . . . . . Thursday, 20th December.  
NEW YORK—via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.  
JAPAN PORTS.  
\* ARA MARU . . . . . Friday, 14th December.  
BATAVIA MARU . . . . . Thursday, 20th December.  
KEELUNG—via SWATOW & AMOI.  
CANTON MARU . . . . . Sunday, 4th December, Noon.  
HOZA MARU . . . . . Sunday, 16th December, Noon.  
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOI.  
DELL MARU . . . . . Friday, 14th December, 10 a.m.  
TAKAO & KEELUNG.  
BATAVIA MARU . . . . . Thursday, 20th December.

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Southampton.—Sir George McLaren Brown, K.B.E., European general manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., who left Southampton recently with Lady McLaren Brown for the first stage of a world tour in the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of France," had some interesting remarks to make concerning the contract for the new liner.

In an interview he said:—

"This vessel will be a de-luxe liner in every sense of the word, for she will offer spacious staterooms for first-class passengers in addition to roomy quarters for both tourist and third-class. Although I cannot mention the question of cost, I can say that, together with the "Empress of Japan," the order for which was placed only a few weeks ago, the expenditure incurred in respect of these two ships will run very near to £5,000,000, which will bring the aggregate expenditure of the C.P.R. on new ships since the war to nearly £17,000,000."

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EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Feb. 15	Mar. 8	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 23
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 5
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPERESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 15	June 22
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It is true that "Zeppelins" have made long journeys, have carried considerable, though not profitable, cargoes, in which category we will include passengers, and have successfully weathered storms. But is that accomplishment sufficient to justify a statement that the "Zeppelin" will ever become a reliable and commercially profitable vehicle of transport? The watchword of the shipowner, especially in these days of rapid communication by cable and wireless, is and ever will be "reliability," with its corollaries "safety" and "prompt despatch and delivery." Can these be secured by the "Zeppelin"?

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It is in this respect analogous to the submarine, except that the medium in which it floats is not of uniform density. All means of controlling the submarine at a desired depth by the use of ballast failed entirely, and it was only when it was realised that depth could only be sustained by its diving rudders by reason of its motion ahead that the submarine became a successful and practical vessel. In the same way, but in a less degree it is true, maintenance of an airship at any desired altitude in still air is not easy by adjustment of its buoyancy.

This, it will be said, is not a serious matter, and has not the same importance as in a submarine. This is true so long as the air is still, but it is a very different matter when, as is so often the case, that there are strong vertical currents moving in a more or less vertical direction. The airship is carried bodily along with such currents and cannot use with any appreciable effect or degree of satisfaction adjustment of its buoyancy as a means of correcting such vertical movement within narrow limits of within comfortable limits (this no doubt was the cause of much of the discomfort experienced by the passengers on its outward voyage if the reports received are substantially true).

## Control

As has been stated above, the submarine secures its stability of motion in the vertical plane by its speed ahead, but this means is not open to the "Zeppelin" when in a vertical current of air (i.e., the familiar air pockets), for the current is at right angles to its path, and speed ahead gives it no control worth talking about for maintaining altitude. Then again the "Zeppelin" has not the advantage of control afforded by the screw propellers' action upon the horizontal rudders as in the submarine, for the propellers are placed under the envelope, so that any control is confined to the pressures on the rudders due to the speed ahead. The submarine can avoid vertical currents in the ocean, even if they exist, because they would be charted. We cannot chart the air for vertical currents! The effect of an air pocket upon a heavier than air craft is sufficiently uncomfortable, but is not to be compared with the discomfort and the danger experienced by a "Zeppelin" in similar conditions. One shudders to think of an airship encountering a West Indian hurricane or a North Atlantic storm.

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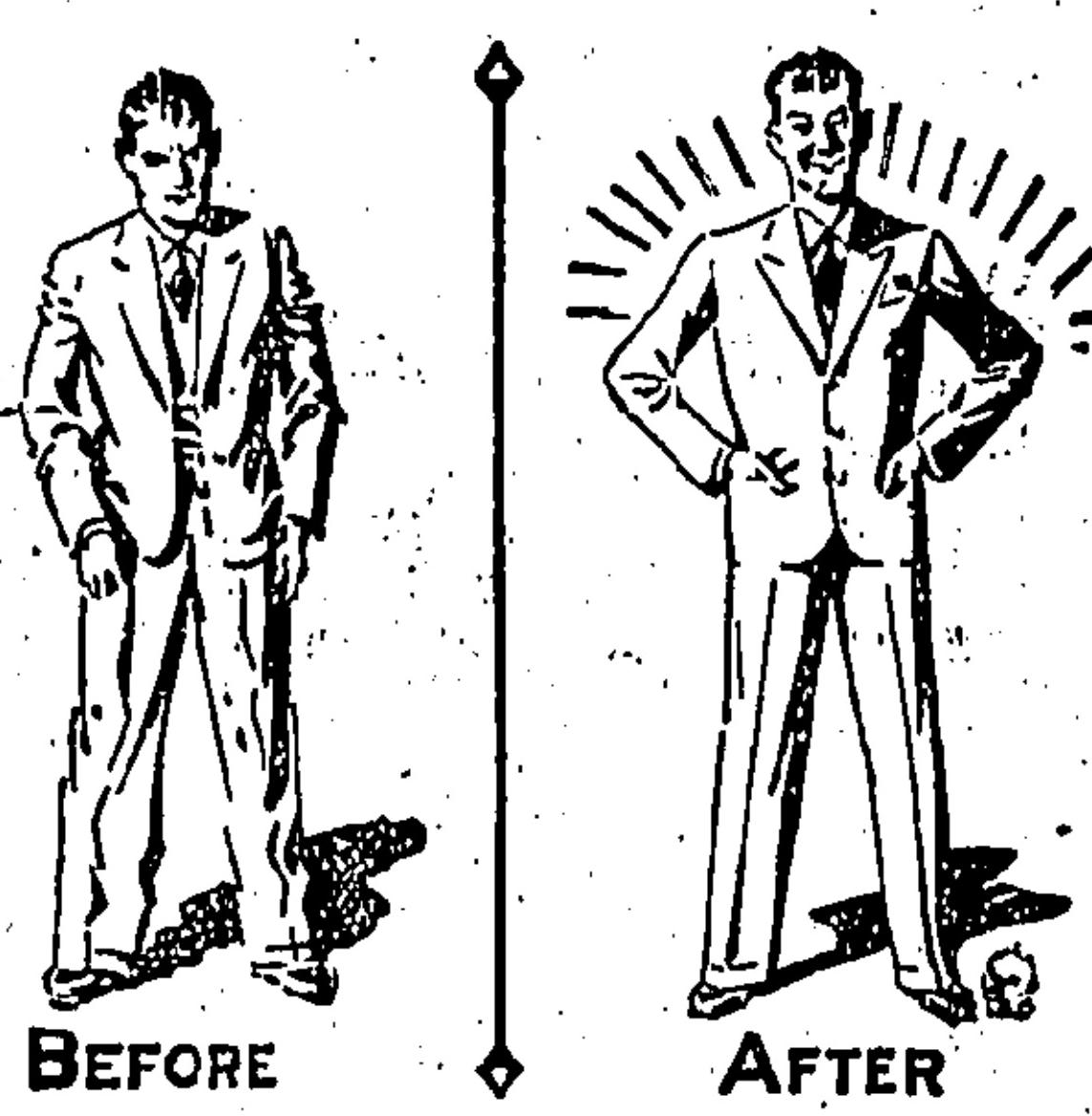
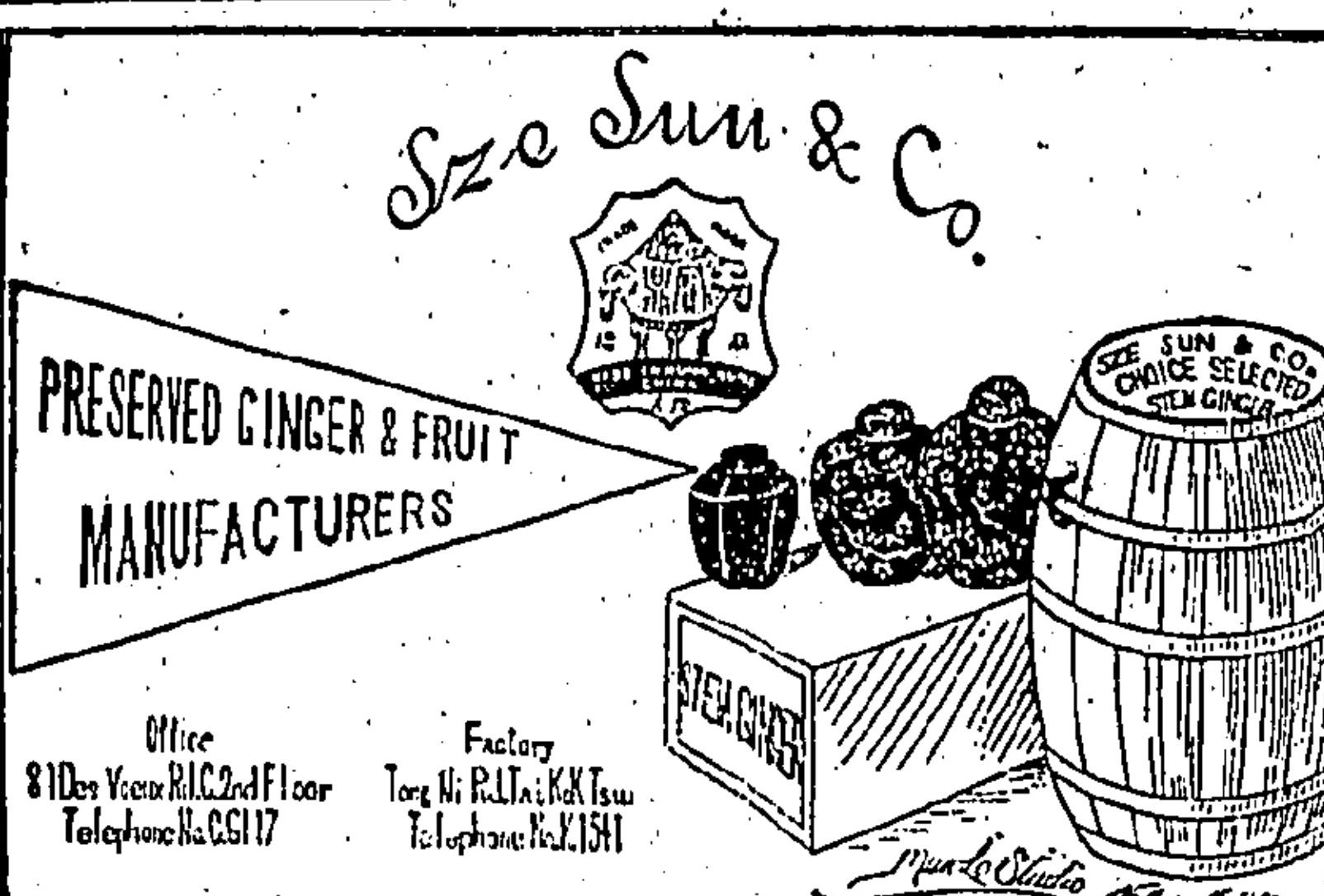
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#### A LOOK AROUND

[By The Mail Men]

He was a big, blustering man, Judge who kept race ponies for fun, but, nevertheless, did not relish being beaten when he had his money on. And the kind of language he would use on these occasions was well-known. Last Saturday, he put several friends on the "good thing" that romped home a furlong behind the rest. The friends thought they would be well recompensed for their loss, if they were present when the owner greeted the jockey, so they all gathered round when the horse returned, and the jockey was unbuckling the girth to remove the saddle. The old man looked at him for a few minutes, and then said, "Well!" The rider looked at him, but evidently did not like the look in his eye, and continued fiddling with the saddle, whilst the friends were settling down to a nice entertainment. The owner spoke again. "Well!" he roared. "If you can't blame the starter why don't you blame the judge?"

And he settled down to enjoy the story, first placing his feet on the table and leaning back against the wall. "Well, Master came home last night and she said that!" began my voice. "Was there a scene?" asked my wife's voice. "Oh, tellible things happened. Master said plenty bad things to the poor woman" and he shuddered delicately at the recollection. "Coarse man!" murmured the cook.

And for the time there was silence while they meditated upon my wickedness. "He's a Cave Man!" decided the boy at last. "Whass dat?" demanded the cook sleepily. "One time I have go picshers, see foleign picshers, and have gottee this fashion man!"

"Like it?" asked the cook. He was getting very uncomfortable. "No, I have go to see Chinese picshers, but have go wrong time so I have see other picshers. You tink so I no see enough of foleign fool! I go picshers for holiday," he added.

But the cook was far away in the North. Probably he was among the paddy fields that he loved, or sitting on the step of his little mud hut in the country listening to the song of his Tien-tsin lark, watching the worms basking in the sunlight and the dirty, but happy, native children playing in the mud, or telling the man in charge of the vegetable store across the way that he had finished working for "foleign man." Whatever he was dreaming about, a smile passed over his fat, cheerful face, and he turned in his sleep "wet-wet."

The boy looking on at him with a sympathetic smile, although he did not understand the dialect, took my cigar out of the cook's mouth, murmuring in English, "Dear, dear, look how extravagant you are!" But somehow he could not finish it himself and put it in a pudding basin. The coolie and the amah continued their conversation in low tones with an occasional "ciah" but after a time even that ceased and they crept away one by one, till only the cook was left, and his snoring vied with the buzzing of flies on the window. For was it not the time for "siesta?"

but an officer will not be granted his full three months at the beginning of a biennial period without some special reason. In the case of judicial and educational officers, such vacation leave may extend to, but must not exceed, the ordinary vacations of the Court or institution to which they belong; and they may generally, when absent on half-pay, receive full pay during any ordinary vacation of such Court or institution which may occur during the period of their leave. There is no statement of salary during vacation leave; but the leave must be approved by H.E. the Governor for the adequate discharge of the applicant's duties "without cost to the public," except in very special circumstances.

An officer applying for leave with the intention of retiring must only receive such terms of leave as will allow time for a decision upon his application of retirement; and the Governor has to report to the Secretary of State. An officer's salary will in such case cease and his pension commences when his retirement is sanctioned. If an officer retires during his leave of absence without having originally given notice of his desire to do so, the date at which his half-salary is to cease will be determined according to the circumstances of the case. Leave will count from the date of relinquishment to that of resumption of duty.

#### No mention of

Street

Vaccination

Corps

would be

complete without

at least some re-

ference to the good work done

during the past few weeks.

At the corner of busy thoroughfares, small tables have been fitted up for members of the Corps on voluntary vaccination duty. Needless to say, such steps are being taken as a sequel to the prevalence of small-pox. Vaccination in the streets is a matter of convenience for the lower classes who are too busy to proceed to a hospital or dispensary. An example is set to old-fashioned Chinese unwilling to be vaccinated. The number of people attended to is increasing day by day. I forgot what the record is but I remember that it was formidable and highly praiseworthy. Mr. E. Ralphs, the Assistant Commissioner, appeared to be very glad on landing once more in Hong Kong on Thursday. So am I.

Opportunities to

New Line establish

from shipping routes

Hong Kong from Hong Kong

are, I see, not

being neglected.

The recent

Sino-Portuguese venture

to Timor, via Macao, Saigon and Java, proved a failure but there

is still talk of its revival. New

Guinea is being mentioned now.

I remember the pre-war days

when an occasional ship was

chartered to go out there. The

Chinese crew of one boat made a

fortune by small sales to the na-

tives of provisions, knick-knacks,

etc. A fireman came back in his

singlet, having sold every article

of clothing he could. Now

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will call also at Iloilo, Port

Moresby, Samarai, Kaewieng and

Madang. The first ship leaves

Hong Kong in the first half of

February. I wonder whether

there will be any adventures?

At the last

K.C.R. Freight meeting of

Charges

the Taipo Dis-

trict Council,

the matter of the freight charges

on the Kowloon Canton Railway,

which are now based on kilo-

grammes per kilometre, was

under discussion. It was deci-

ded to enquire from the railway

what possible reason there could

be in a British Colony for the

adoption of weights and mea-

sures, which are not even Bri-

terish standard. The Council has

been meanwhile advised that the

whole of the Railway staff were

busy making up a ready reck-

oner to transform piculs and fur-

longs to kilogrammes and kilo-

metres and that in the near fu-

ture every railway employee will

be furnished with a slide rule

and book of logarithms.

Without wish

Civil Servants

ing to be

Holidays

facilities I can

hardly refrain

from envying the "spoiled, dar-

lings" who get favour-

able terms in Government employ

—which they certainly would not

get outside. Last week I dealt

briefly with the matter of leave.

Now I add a few more paragraphs

about those attractions of the

Civil Service. Short periods of

absence from duty, owing to sick-

ness, are allowed on full pay; in

accordance with the local rules of

each Colony, without affecting

vacation leave. Certain restric-

tive regulations do not apply to

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case of civil officers, three calen-

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The "China Mail" has received price lists of the butchery department and the grocery and provision departments of the Peninsula Hotel Stores, Kowloon. A very wide range of articles, food-stuffs and commodities is covered by the booklets.

The Final Dress Rehearsal for the production of the Opera "Tom Jones," by the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, will take place in the Theatre Royal next Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. All spectators will be admitted.

At the Registry Office, on Thursday, the wedding took place of Miss Choy Ping-yeung, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Choy Po-sing and niece of Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, and Mr. Ko Yeung-hung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ko How-kuen. The duties of best man were performed by Mr. Ko King-fan, whilst the bride who wore European dress and carried a bouquet of white flowers, was attended by Miss Lo Chiu-sheng as bridesmaid. A reception was afterwards held at Lane, Crawford's restaurant. It was attended by a large number of guests, including Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, and Mr. M. K. Lo.

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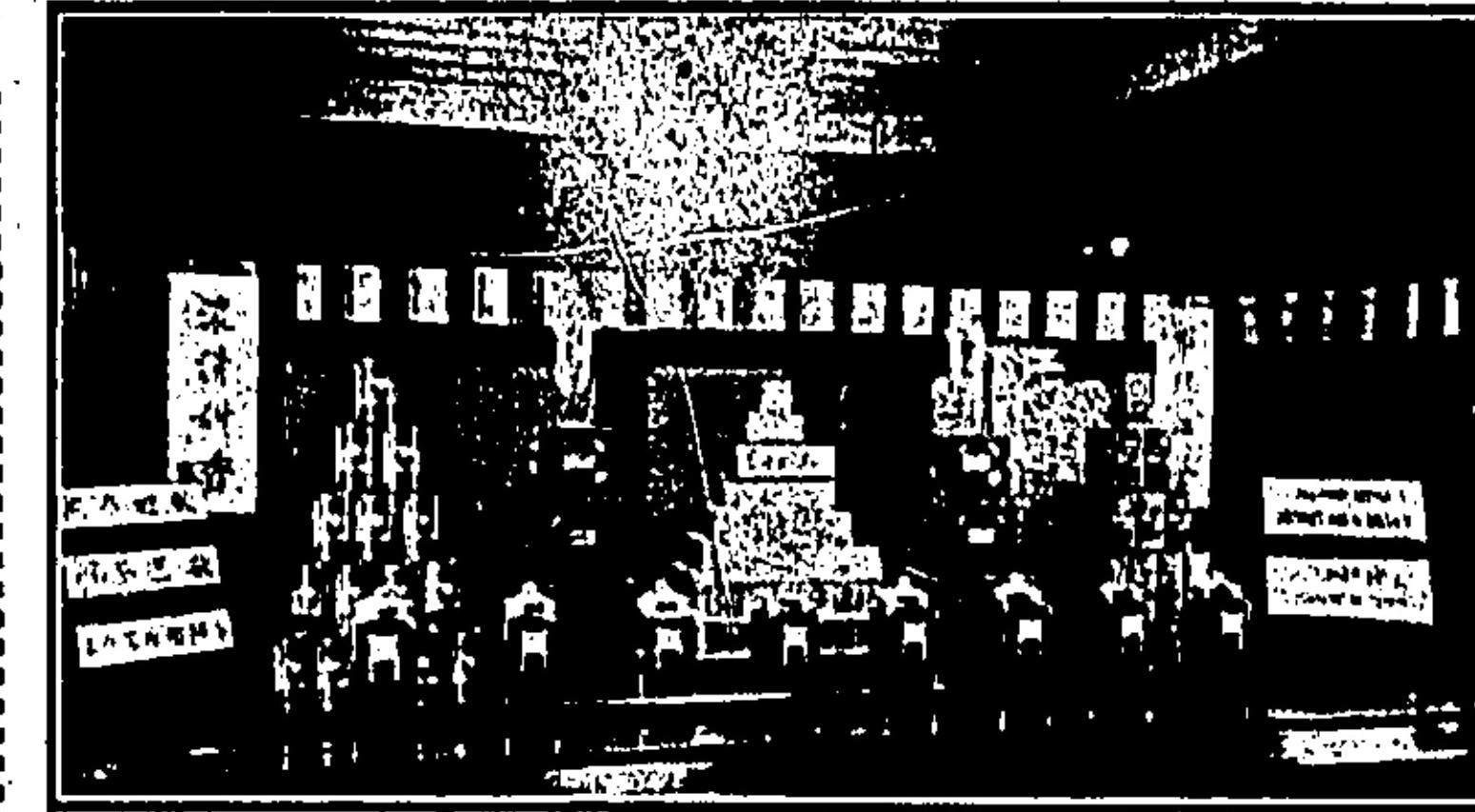
Mr. A. H. POTTS AND HIS  
BRIDE.—Miss Suzanne Weill,  
after their marriage in the Re-  
gistry on Monday.—(K. Fujiyama.)



ST. ANDREW'S DAY FESTIVITIES IN HONG KONG.—St. Andrew's Day was followed by the 8th and last extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, at which all the events bar one were named in honour of Scotland and the principal event of the day was the St. Andrew's Stakes (see below). The Pipers and Drummers of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers played on the course in the intervals, as seen in photo above. Their picturesque uniforms were much admired by the attendance.—(K. Fujiyama.)



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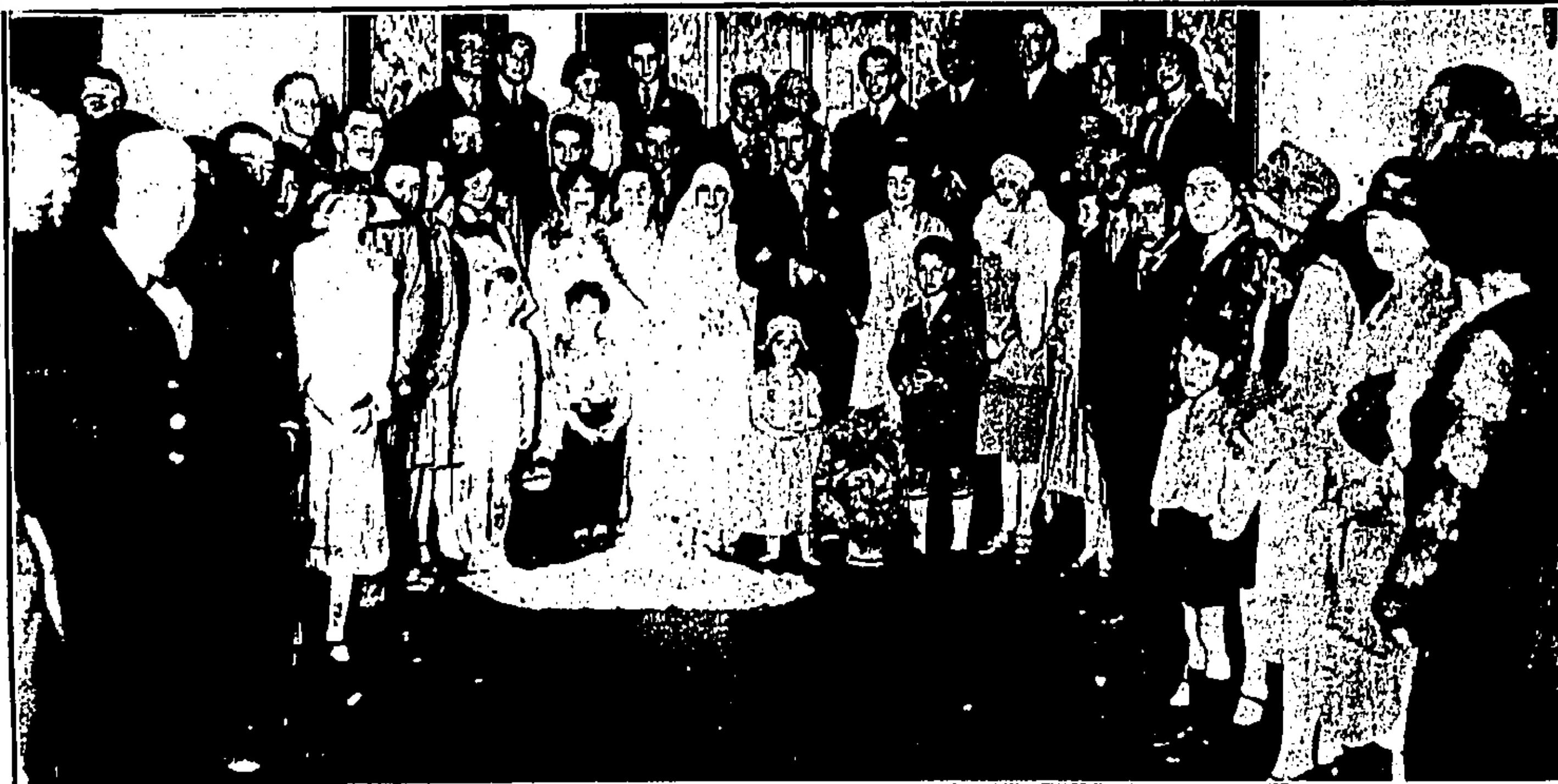
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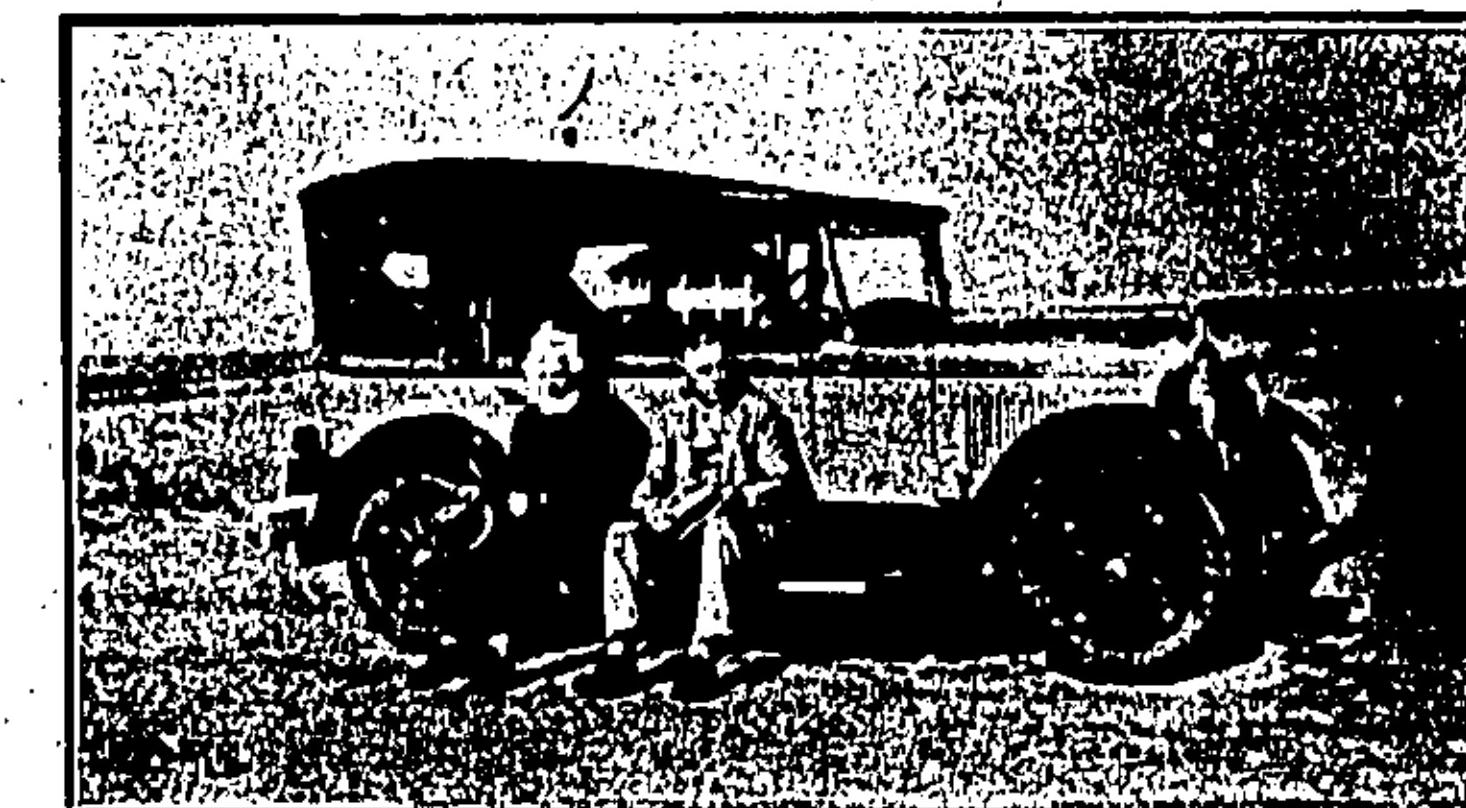
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WEDDING RECEPTION AT "ALBEROSE," POKFULAM.—Flashlight photo taken on Monday evening, in the residence of the bride's mother, after the reception. The bride was Miss Suzanne Weill, the bridegroom Mr. Alec Hutton Potts, the stockbroker, member of the Mounted Infantry H.K.V.D.C., and formerly acting Master of the Fanling Hunt.—(K. Fujiyama).



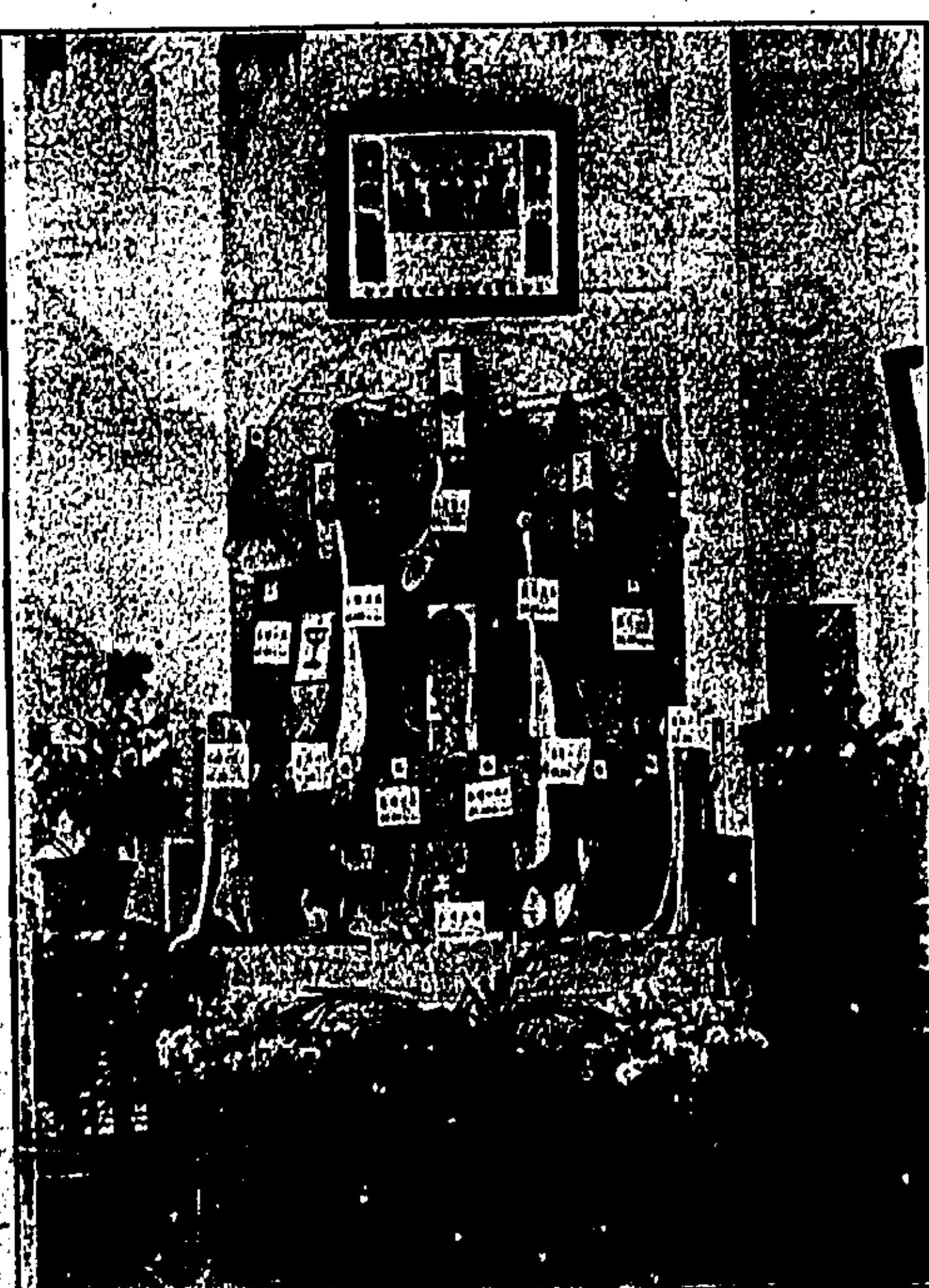
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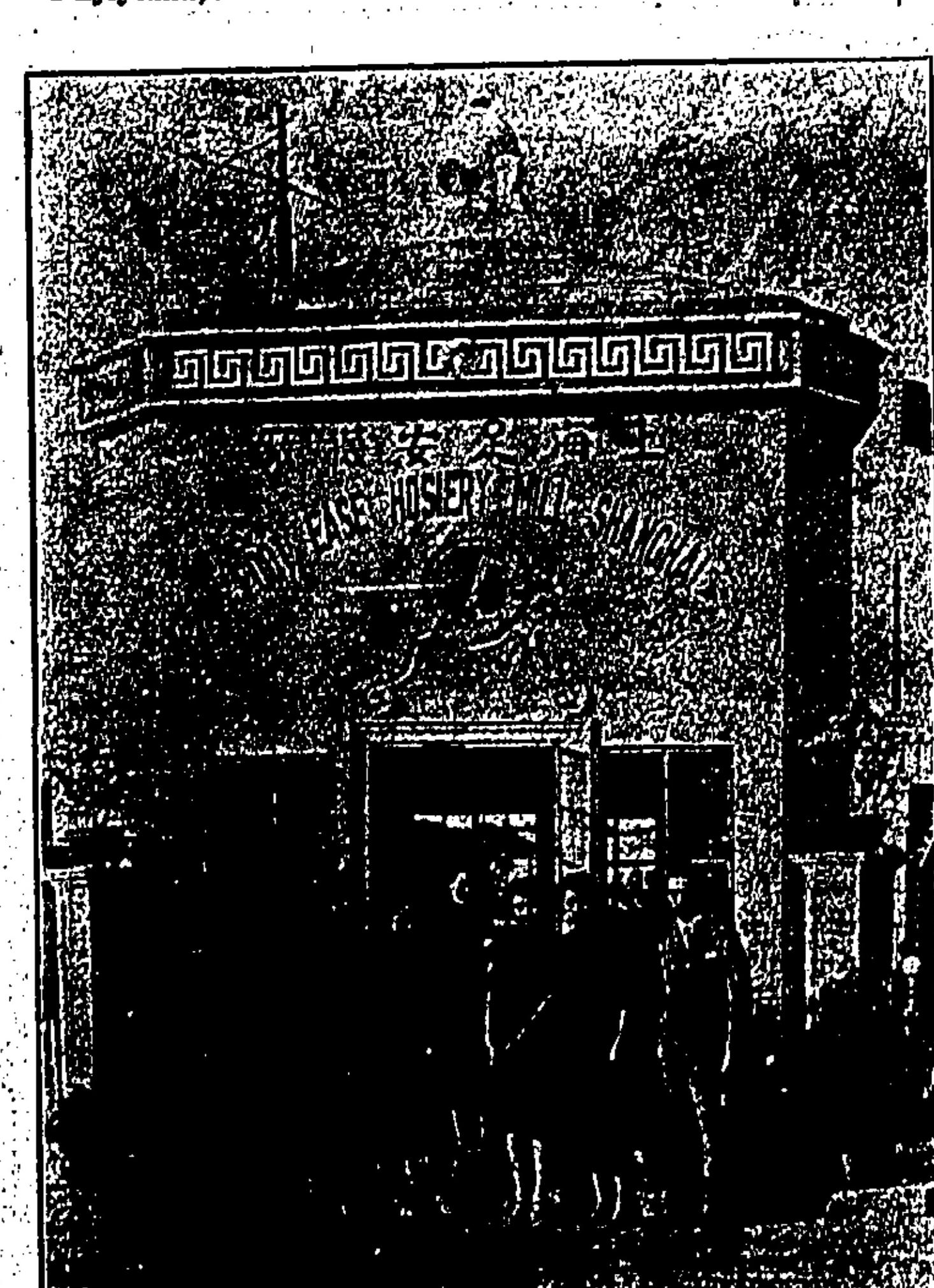
MOANA BEACH, South Australia.—Mr. O. A. Smith of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw's, with his father, who is 84 years of age.



IMITU BUSSAN KAISHA'S BASEBALL TEAM.—Champions of the Japanese League last year, with the staff and their families.—Mr. Abe, the manager, is in a dark suit, hatless, on left of child in centre. On the right of the child is Mr. T. Honda, tennis singles champion of the Colony.—(K. Fujiyama).



Above.—HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB IN A SCRUM.—The Club's rugger section, playing in "hooped" jerseys, after pressing against a military XV.—(K. Fujiyama.)



AT MACAO.—Outside Foot Ease Hosiery Mill's kiosk. Mrs. M. C. Chan, wife of the proprietor, is second from the right, with members of the Hong Kong and Shanghai staffs.

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Winter fur coats are following no definite silhouette. There is chic in all models whether they possess usual straight lines or whether they are given to flares and fabric treatments.

There are, however, several new and interesting treatments in the way of detail that distinguish them in the new modes. The scarf treatment is perhaps the most outstanding feature of note in fur coats. It is divided in favour with the deep shawl collar. The scarf effect, however, lends itself to various styles. Its collar may be smartly upstanding with long tabs that make an interesting throw scarf or the collar may roll and still possess scarf ends that make for grace and style. Collars which are upstanding at the neck and are belted in are also

new in the sports models. These are generally trimmed with kid in vivid shades for a contrast. The throw scarf, however, while possessing graceful aspects, is by no means limited to the formal coat. It is equally chic and appealing in sports models.

Alice White, while choosing fur coats for all occasions, is deeply fascinated by the chic details of this winter's models. For sports she has selected a particularly stunning coat in white goat which utilizes the new scarf treatment at the neck. In the First National film "Show Girl," Miss White has opportunity to wear this sports model. In general the flat curly furs are found most effective for daytime and sports. Consequently Miss White's choice is doubly suitable.

leather across the back to form a handle. The colour scheme is brown. To relieve the dark brown leather, a cut out of mahogany crocodile leather makes an attractive panel. Inside there is place for stamps or a season ticket for tram or ferry, a looking glass and, as in other model, a safe compartment for money, to say nothing of two handy places for odd letters. The size is roughly about 5" x 9".

Another cute idea that is certainly fascinating is a green felt hat, green felt bag and, as a finishing touch, a little felt flower. Just imagine how smart one would appear in a nice grey costume and, as a relief, with a touch of colour on the coat, the green bag and hat to match.

A number of new novelties have arrived in the way of lamp shades, the most popular of which are old-fashioned ladies whose delightfully full skirts form a hiding place for an electric globe. There are some dainty dressing shepherdesses, who are to grace the top of a bed, all ready wired, and some standing lamps on a graceful wooden stand.

## PRESENTS FOR LUCK

Christmas Novelties in a Hunt at Felix's

Felix, for luck, which is certainly correct if you are on the hunt for Christmas presents!

Bags of all shapes and sizes, some with leather clasps and others gaily coloured unfastened metal. To describe them all is impossible, so only two will be attempted. One that is fancied is a soft silver grey leather with a black and white mother-of-pearl clasp. A novel idea was carried on in this bag. The handle and back are of black kid, this preventing it from being discoloured. There is a design of black cut work on the front and the inside of the bag is all in pale grey moire silk. A looking glass is attached by means of a silk ribbon and a small bag is ready for holding money.

The other bag will match splendidly with a tailor-made or smart overcoat. It is more or less on the envelope idea, with a strip of

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Among the outdoor clothes there should of course be listed a leather coat which serves all sports purposes such as games, motorizing and walking as well as being useful as a rain coat. These in belted models lend a youth air of swank that all college girls love.

Other coats in home-spun or tweeds possess flattering away-from-the-face shawl collars or racoon. The fur coat that most girls will wear will be of the flat, curly variety as it is particularly desirable for sports. The white, grey and black goat coats are especially smart.

Evening dresses, too, are simply designed and generally of a bouffant nature in sheer fabrics. While the general mode is sophisticated in its appeal to grace and rhythm, the college girl still stresses youth in her selection of evening clothes and the variation of the bouffant mode best expresses this aspect.

Colleen Moore, who is always a delightful example to the college girl in her selection of clothes, ap-

peared upon for formal affairs at the college. When out along the new and flaring lines they are excellent for school entertainments and teas, while the plain, belted models serve as delightful class dresses as well.

The jacket costume in transparent velvet threatens to take on considerable popularity throughout the fall season. It is worn with a separate satin blouse and is especially chic.

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Hats, while in general turbans, will possess sports models with brims for the tailored outfit of the college girl. These are by far the most suitable for the sports aspect of the young girl's wardrobe.

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peared not very different this winter. Buckles will be found adorning

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## Straight from Paris



One of the most popular of new London fashions is this Louise Boulangier black peau de soie with buck-

ering trimming. Observe the graceful lines and sweep of the model.

## Smart Fur Jacket



The short fur jacket goes smartly with the new circular skirts in wool. The above model is of heavier belted in suede leather and comfortably lined.

## CLOTHES FOR SPORTS AND COUNTRY

The Cardigan Suits Are Entering Upon a Season of Great Popularity. Knitted Outfits Are Particularly Smart



It is the season for tweeds and homespuns, for jerseys and kashas, for knitted goods and velveteens, for leathers and for all sorts of new and interesting fabrics which combine wool and rayon in fascinating colours and weaves. In clothes for the country and chic walking and shopping clothes for the city.

There is perhaps no smarter outfit than the cardigan ensemble right now, whether it be in tweed or knitted goods. Sweater and skirts of all sorts of colours and cuts are effectively set off by a cardigan jacket.

Sweater outfits are decidedly youthful in their simplicity. Skirts in these combinations may match the sweater or may merely harmonize.

For fall, however, they are usually of a woollen fabric

which is used for coat lining and blouse.

One-piece homespuns with loose bolero backs express a new note.

Rodier tweeds and other mixtures are chosen for coats and suits

which use one or two-piece dresses of sporting tendencies.

Dorothy Mackail, whose opportuni-

ties for this type of costume are unlimited, is seen wearing an especially smart ensemble in First National's, "Waterfront."

It consists of a black shirt and cardigan and a black and white striped slip-on sweater.

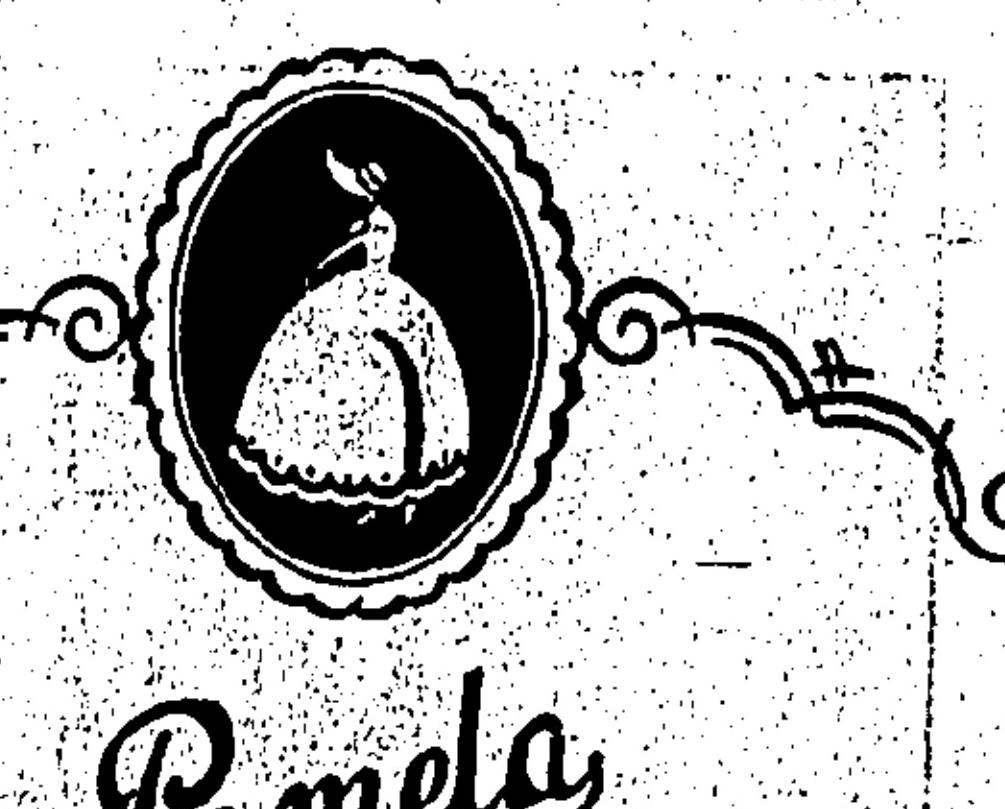
A black fox scarf, hat and shoes help to make distinctive

the black and white colour scheme.

## THE COLDS

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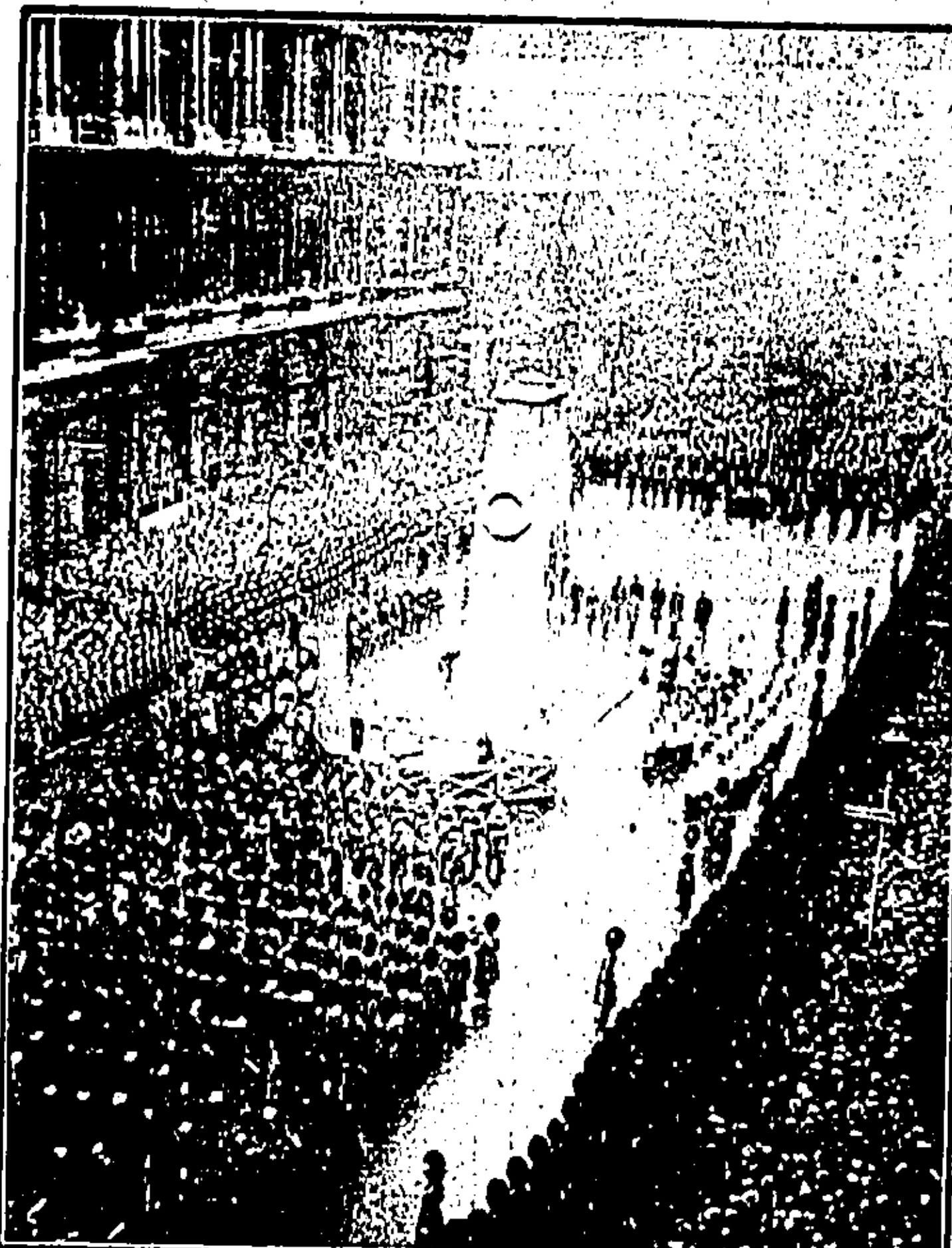
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EMPIRE'S DAY OF REMEMBRANCE.—Crowded scenes in London.—The impressive two minutes' Silence at the Cenotaph in Whitehall. H.M. the King and other members of the Royal Family are to the right of Cenotaph, the Cabinet Ministers on left.—(Sport and General).



THE PRINCE AS A "LATHER BOY" — H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, in the costume of a "lather boy" which he wore on board the P. & O. s.s. "Maidla," when he assisted in initiating his brother, Prince Henry, the Duke of Gloucester, in the "Crossing the Line" ceremony.



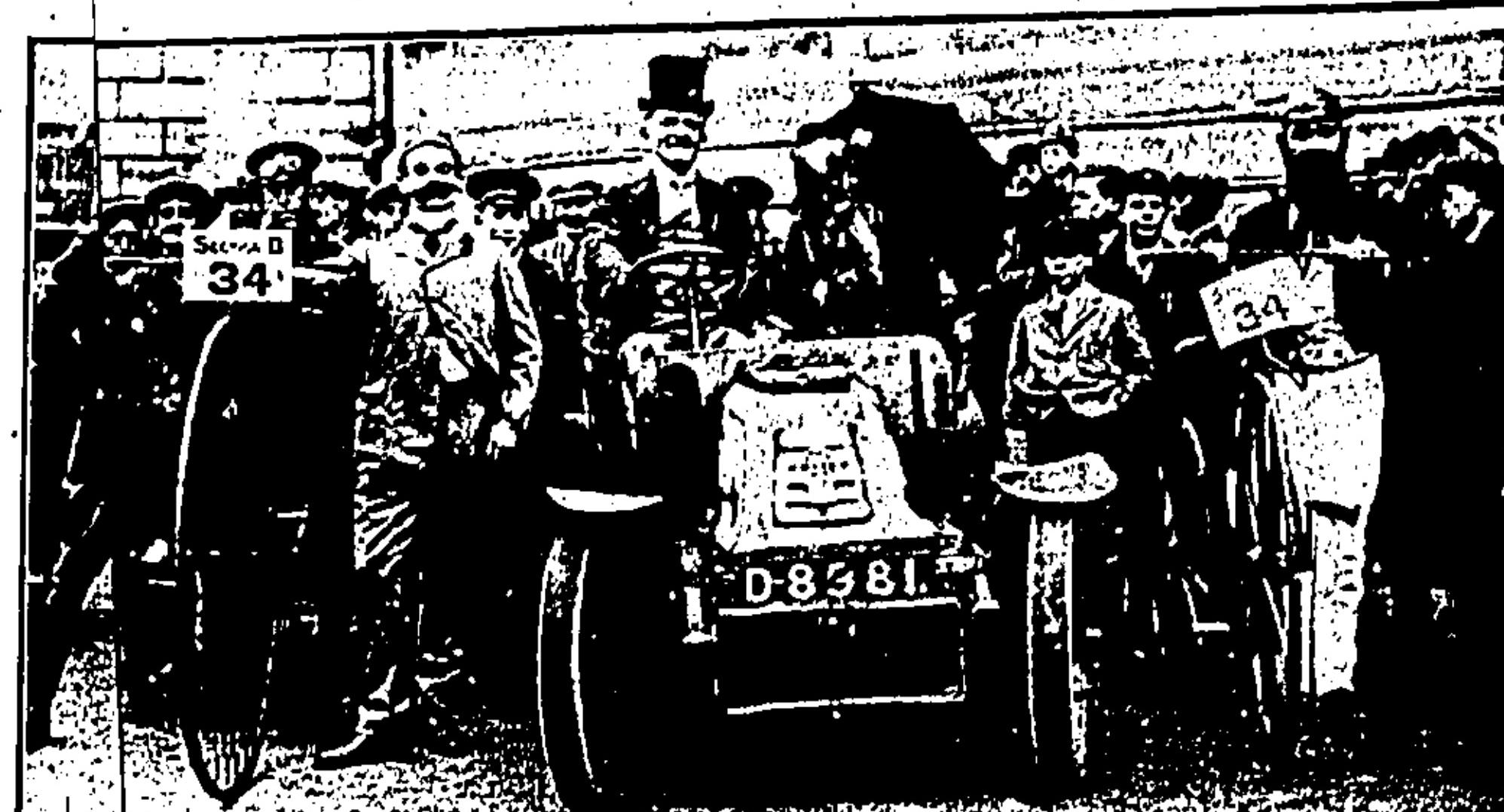
RECORD LORD MAYOR'S SHOW.—"Gog" and "Magog" appear after 200 years. The 1928 procession of the Lord Mayor's Show will be remembered as the finest seen for many years. Dense crowds took advantage of the fine weather to line the route and cheer vociferously. The Progress of Education was the leading feature of the procession, the students of the Polytechnic Institute, in honour of their President, took part in some wonderful tableaux. Their representations of the famous giant effigies—in the Guildhall, "Gog" and "Magog," created much amusement. The Polytechnic Students' tableau "Gog" and "Magog" in the Lord Mayor's Show.—(Sport and General).



VM. THE KING CAUGHT A CHILL.—Armistice Day in London, at the Cenotaph in Whitehall, just before the two minutes' silence during which the King with head bare in the rain. Left to right:—H. H. Aga Khan (hatless) and Nawana Nagar ("Ranji"), Maharajah of Patiala and the Maharajah of Kashgar right is H.M. the King, and behind, the Duke of York and Prince Arthur.—(Sport and General).



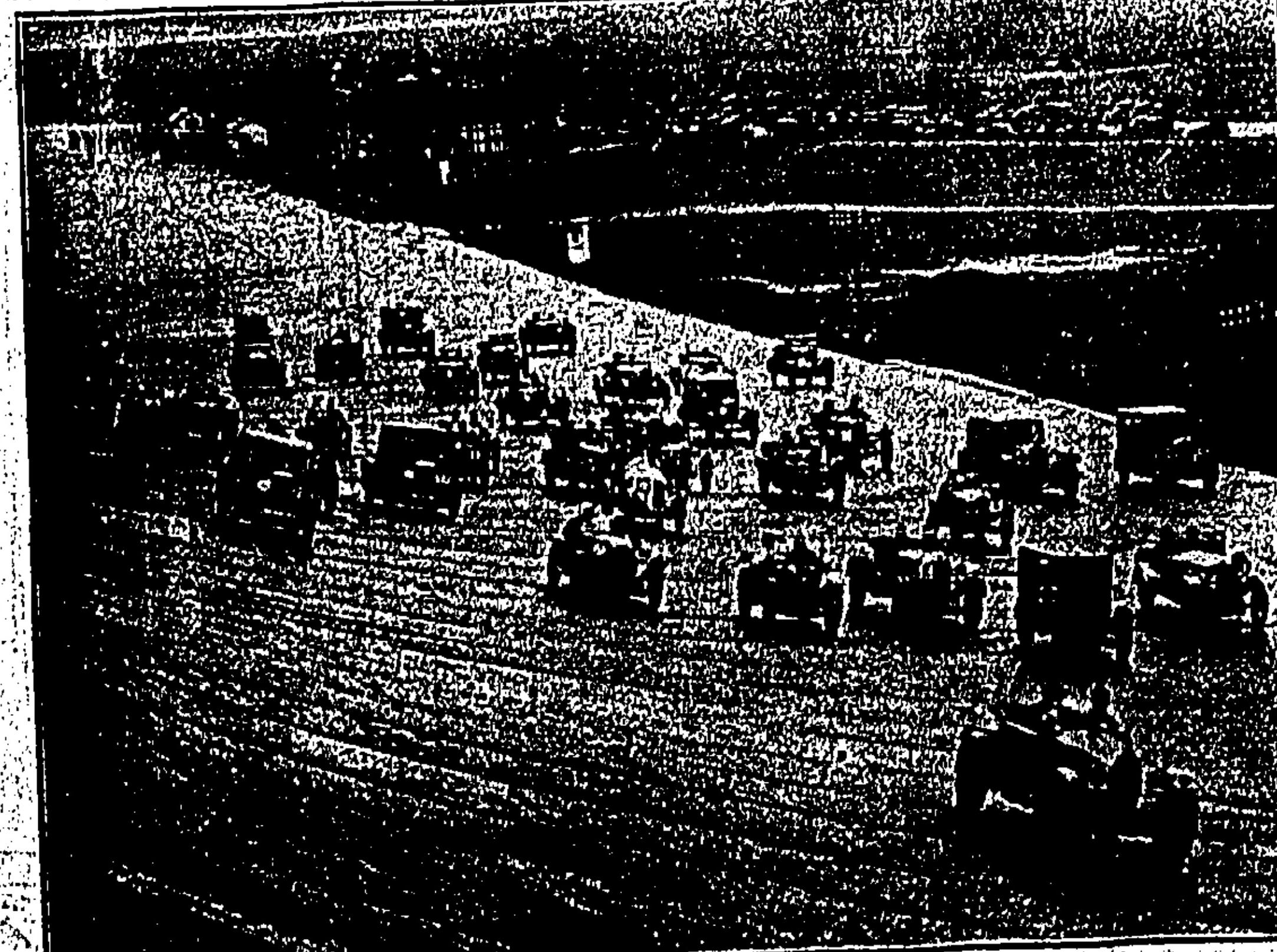
CHARGE THE LIGHT BRIGADE.—Through the shell fire of the Russian guns, realises at the making of the "Balaclava" film at Aldershot. This is an exact repro of the historical charge.—(Sport and General).



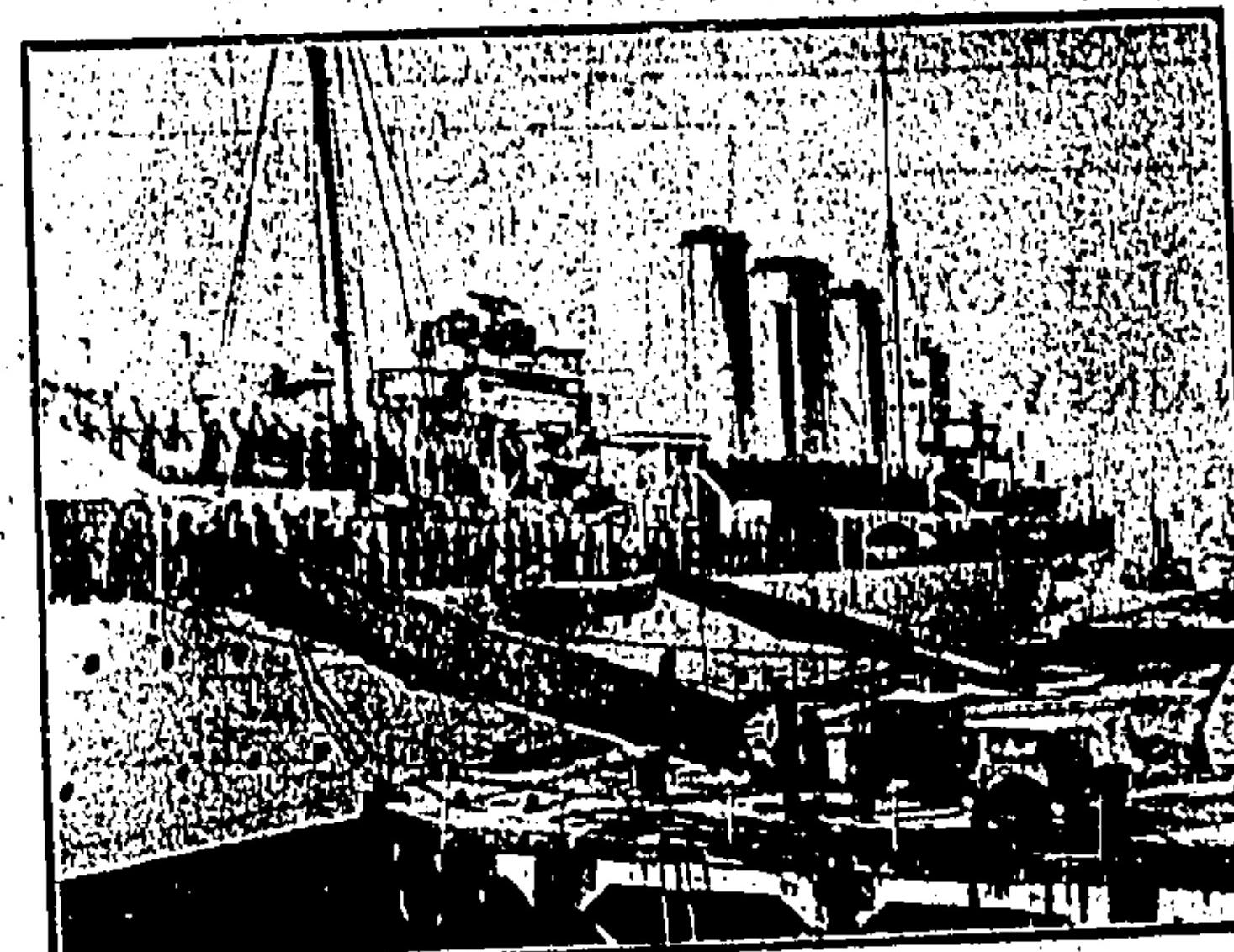
MAYOROCESSION IN KENT.—The first in Maidstone during the 380 years it has been a ligh. To commemorate his fourth term of office, Mr. G. Tyrwhitt-Drake, held a procession. Above is the Automobile Association's "Road Transport of the Past"—Penny-Fring and Boneshaker Cycles and 1903 One-Cylinder De Dion car.—(Sport and General).



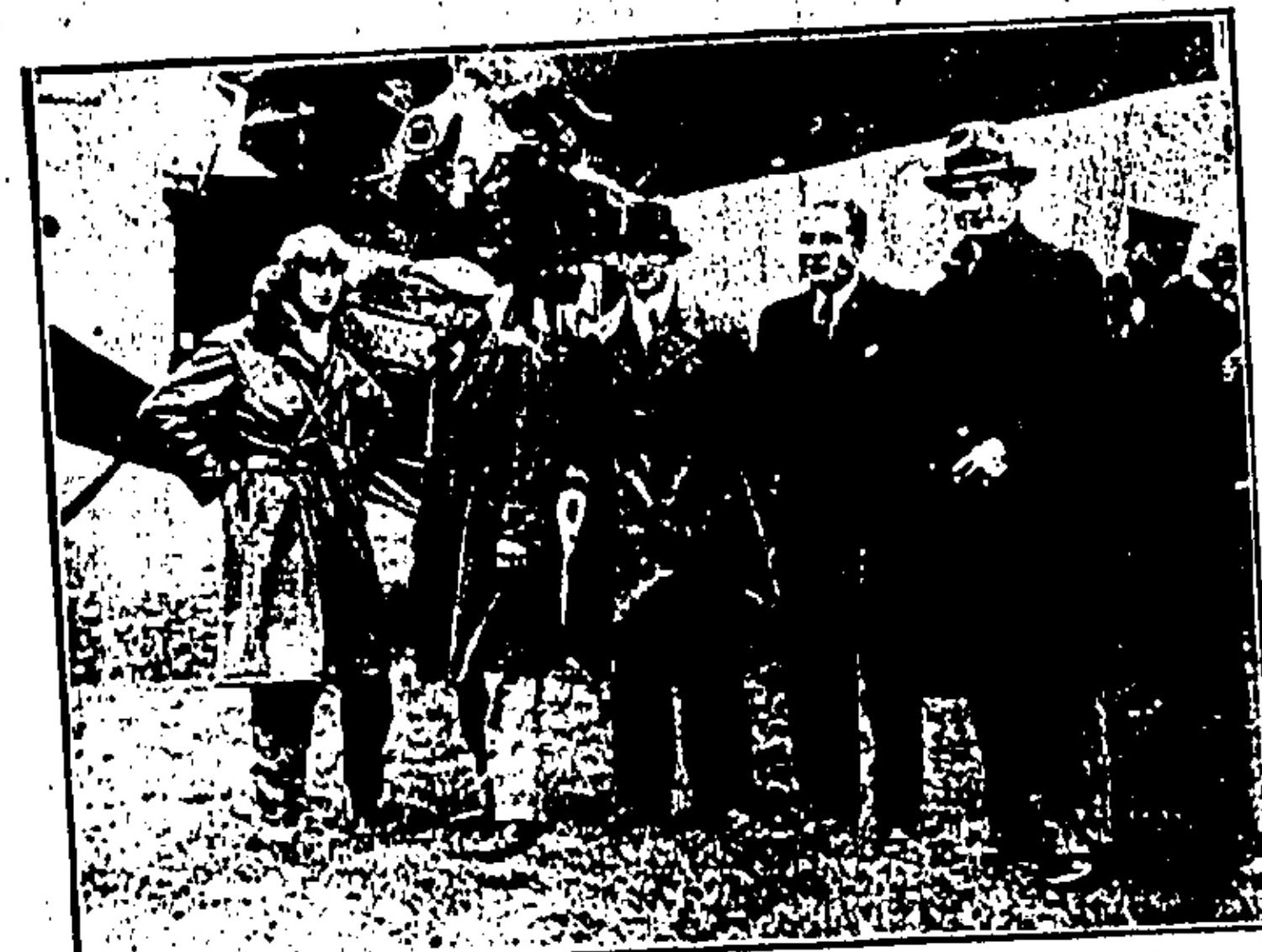
MISS ISABEL MACDONALD.—The 28-years-old daughter of Mr. Ramsay Macdonald (Britain's first Labour Premier), who has been elected to the London County Council.



MOTOR RACING.—Although the racing season had concluded at Home, the track at Brooklands, Surrey, was crowded despite the bad weather, for the fourth high speed reliability trials organised by the Motor Cycling Club. Here is the start of the one-hour trial (class L) for cars up to 850 c.c.—(Sport and General).



NOT ONE OF THE NEW CRUISERS IN HONG KONG.—But Princess Mary visiting the new Australian 10,000-ton Cruiser "Canberra," at Portsmouth.—(Sport and General).



FIRST AERIAL BIG GAME EXPEDITION.—Left to right, Capt. Drew (pilot), Whatley (mechanic), Brand (valet), Lt.-Comdr. Glen Kidston, Mr. T. Thistlewayte and their plane for a tour of Nairobi Kenya and South Africa.—(Sport and General).



250,000 JEWELLERY PARADE.—A pretty tableau depicting a bridal party. The bride, Miss Billie Dicks, and the bridesmaids, Miss Rathbone, and Miss Balfour, wearing some of the lovely gems enhancing their graceful frocks—at a special matinee at St. James's Theatre, London.—(Sport and General).



FLYING RECORD.—Flight Lt. D'Arcy Greig, R.A.F., whose plane flew the fastest time recorded but did not set up a new world's record owing to a technicality which requires the holder's time to be exceeded by not less than five miles an hour.



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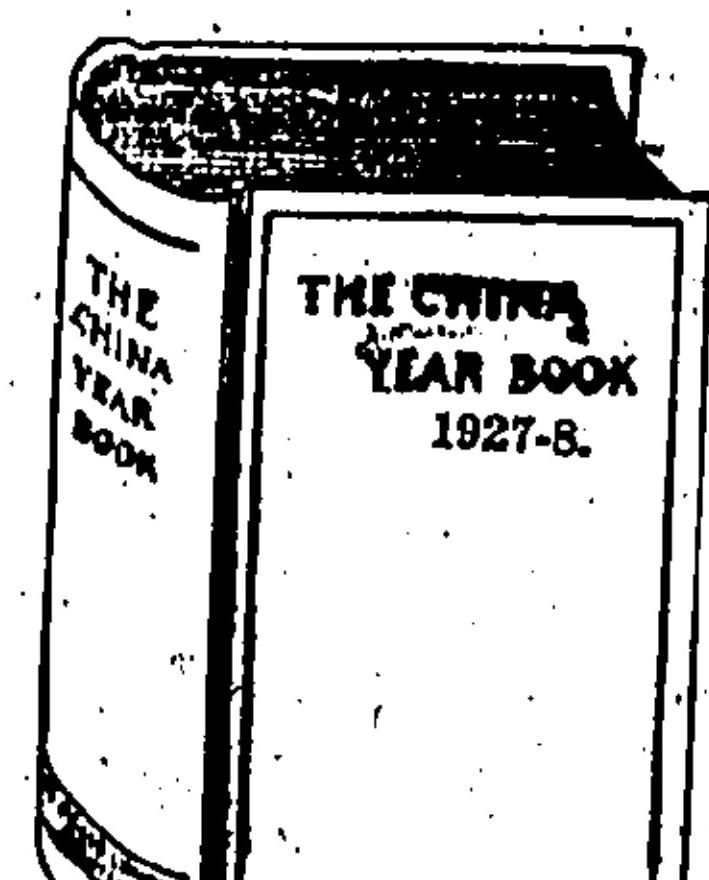
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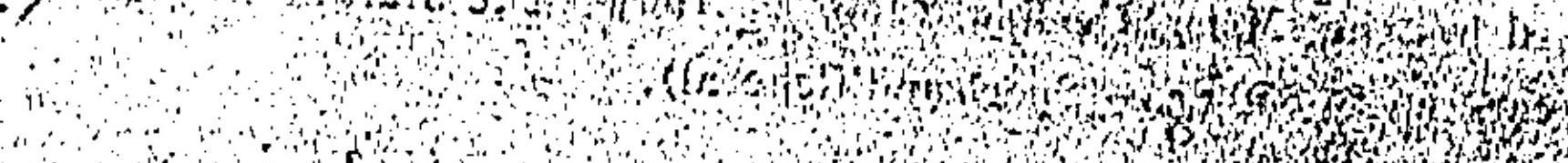
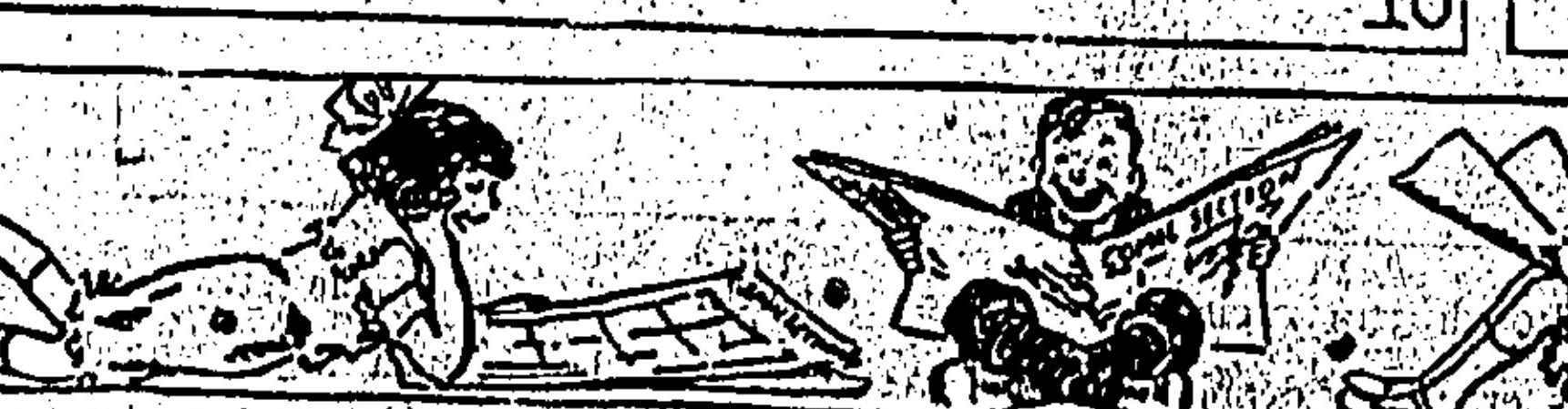
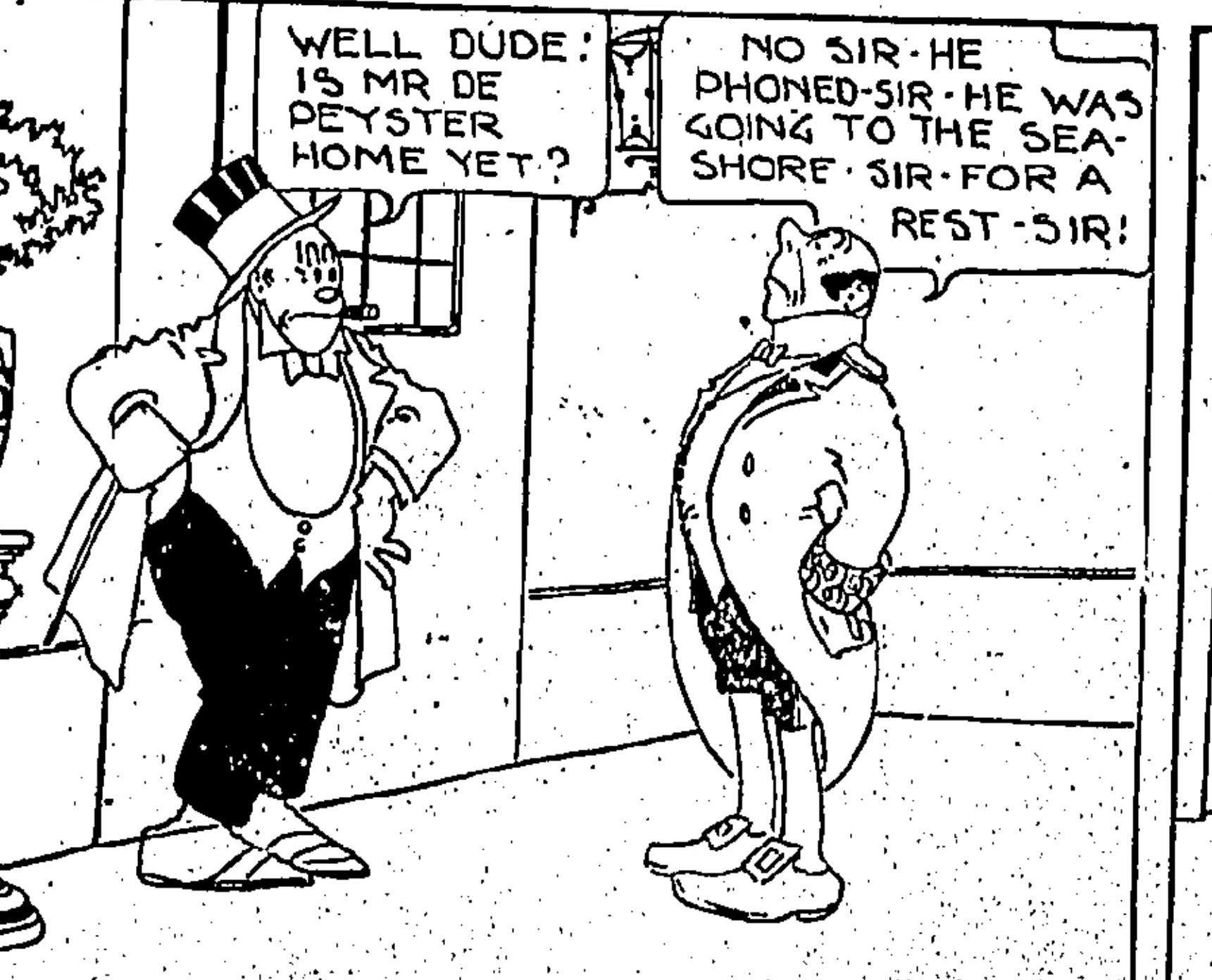
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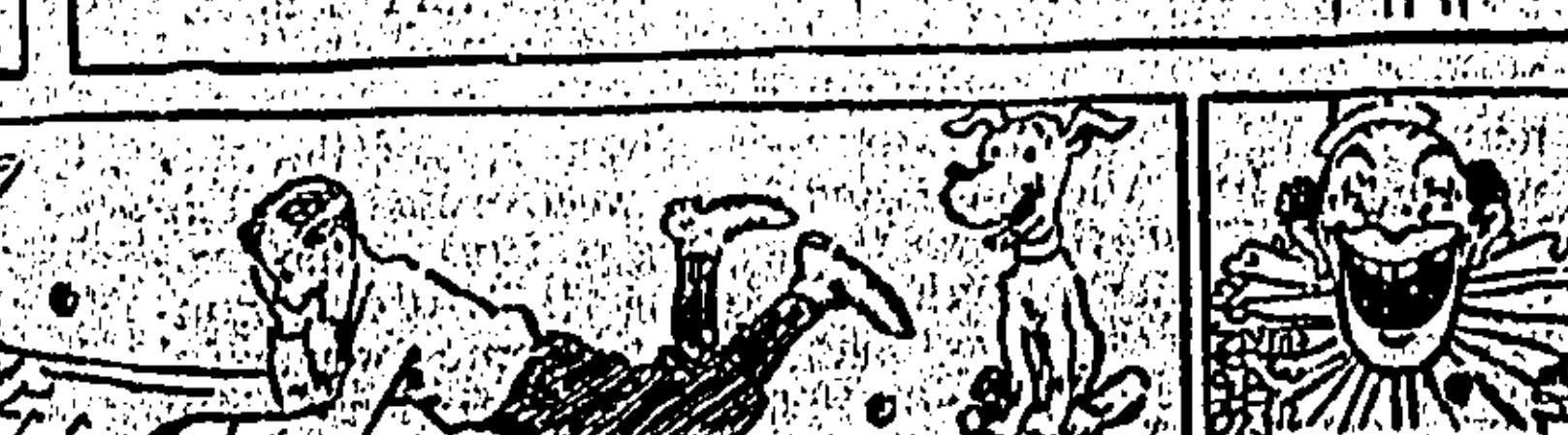
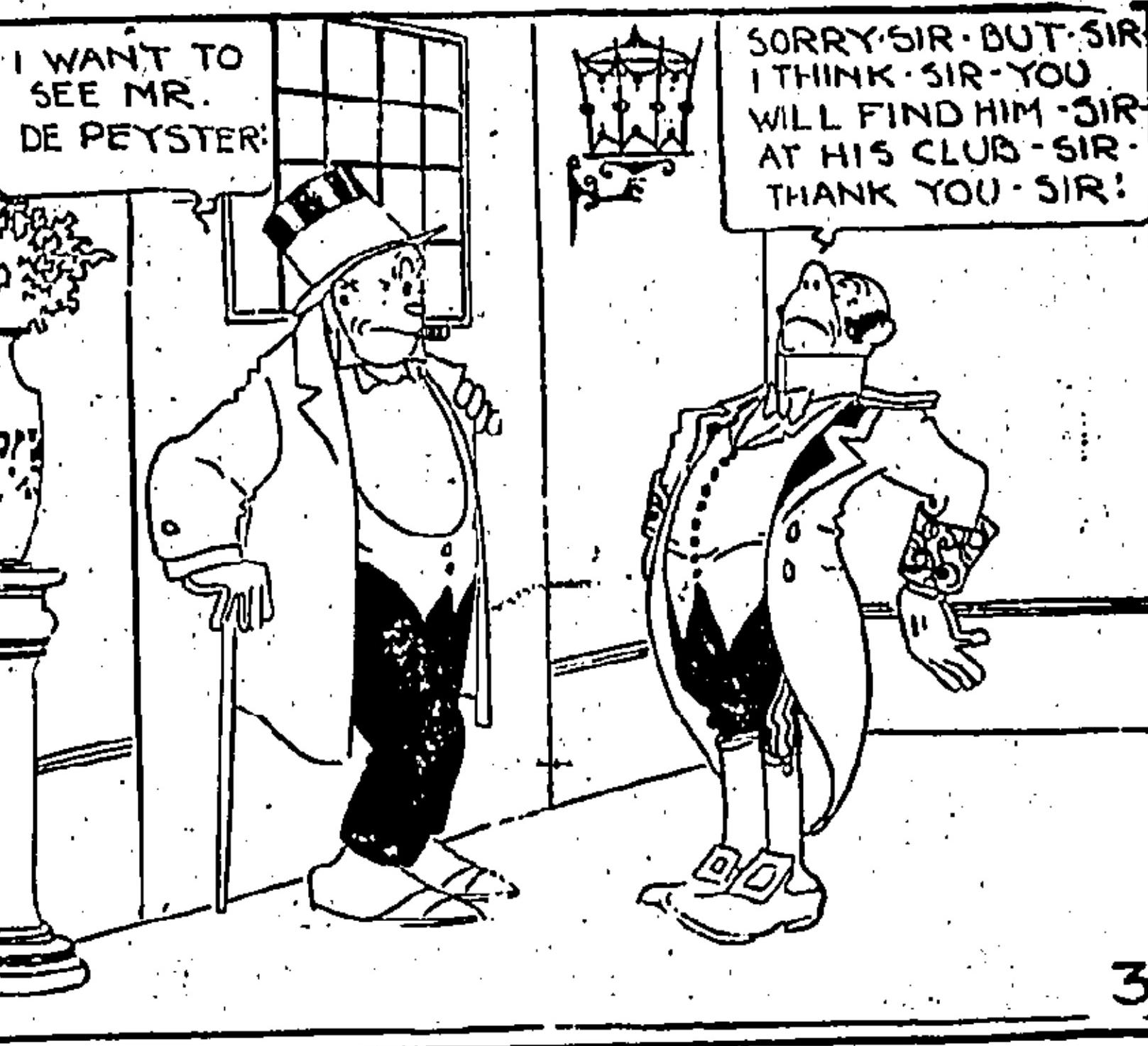
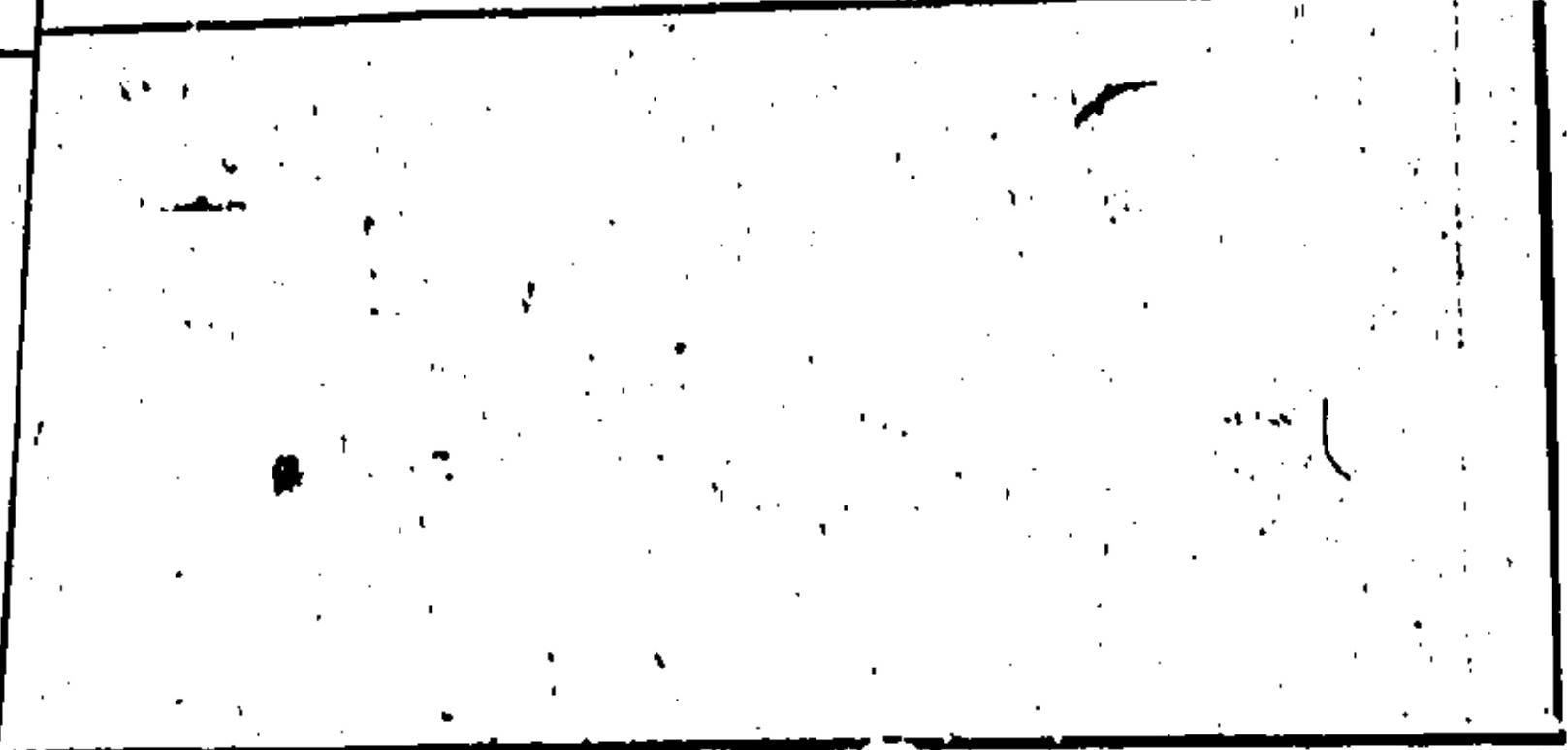
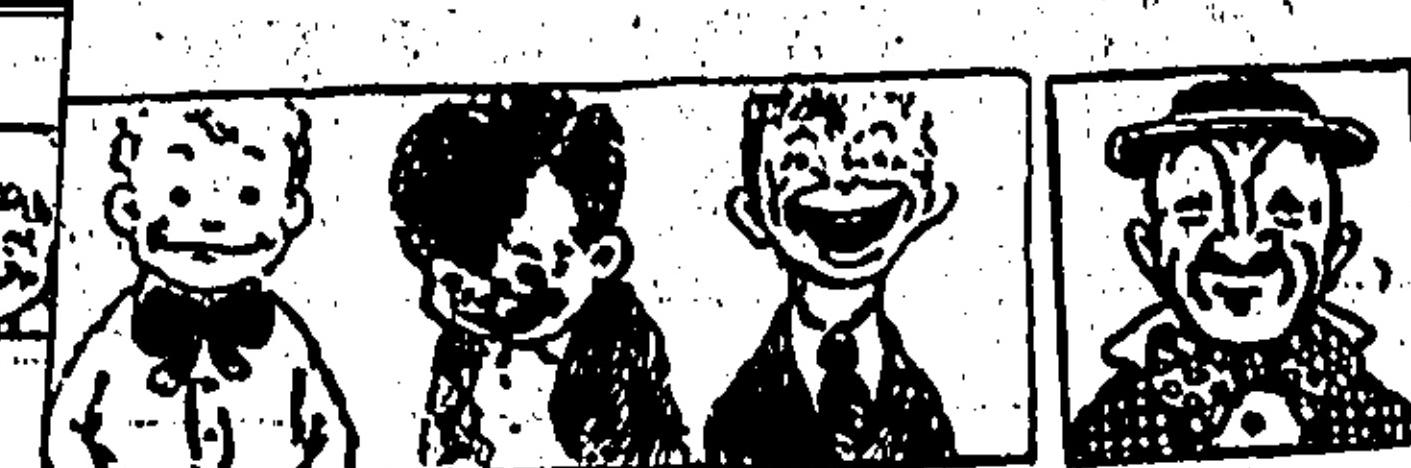
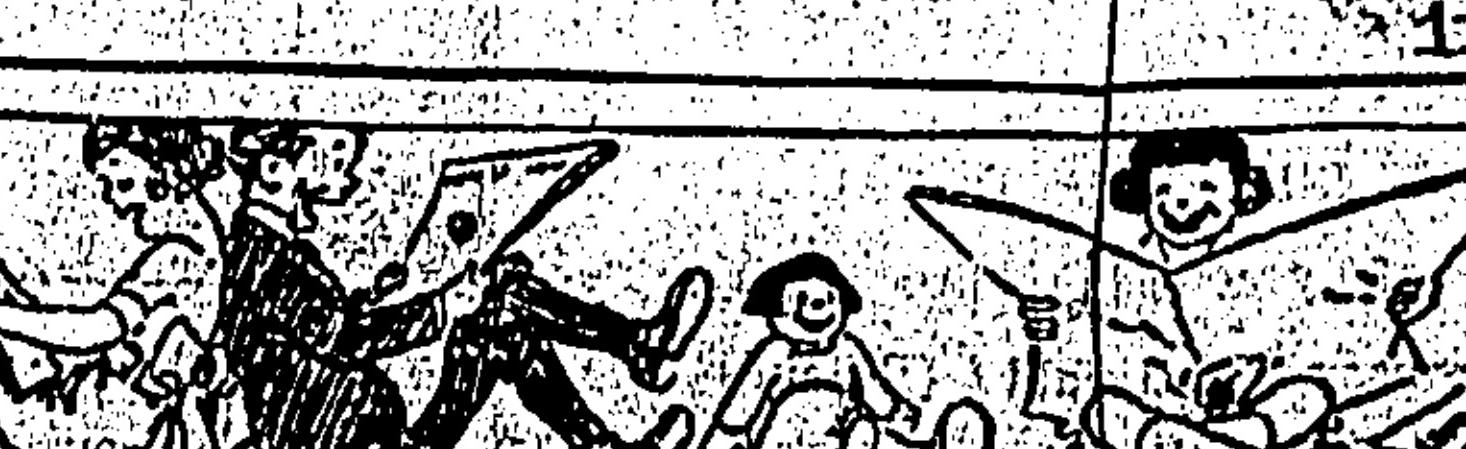
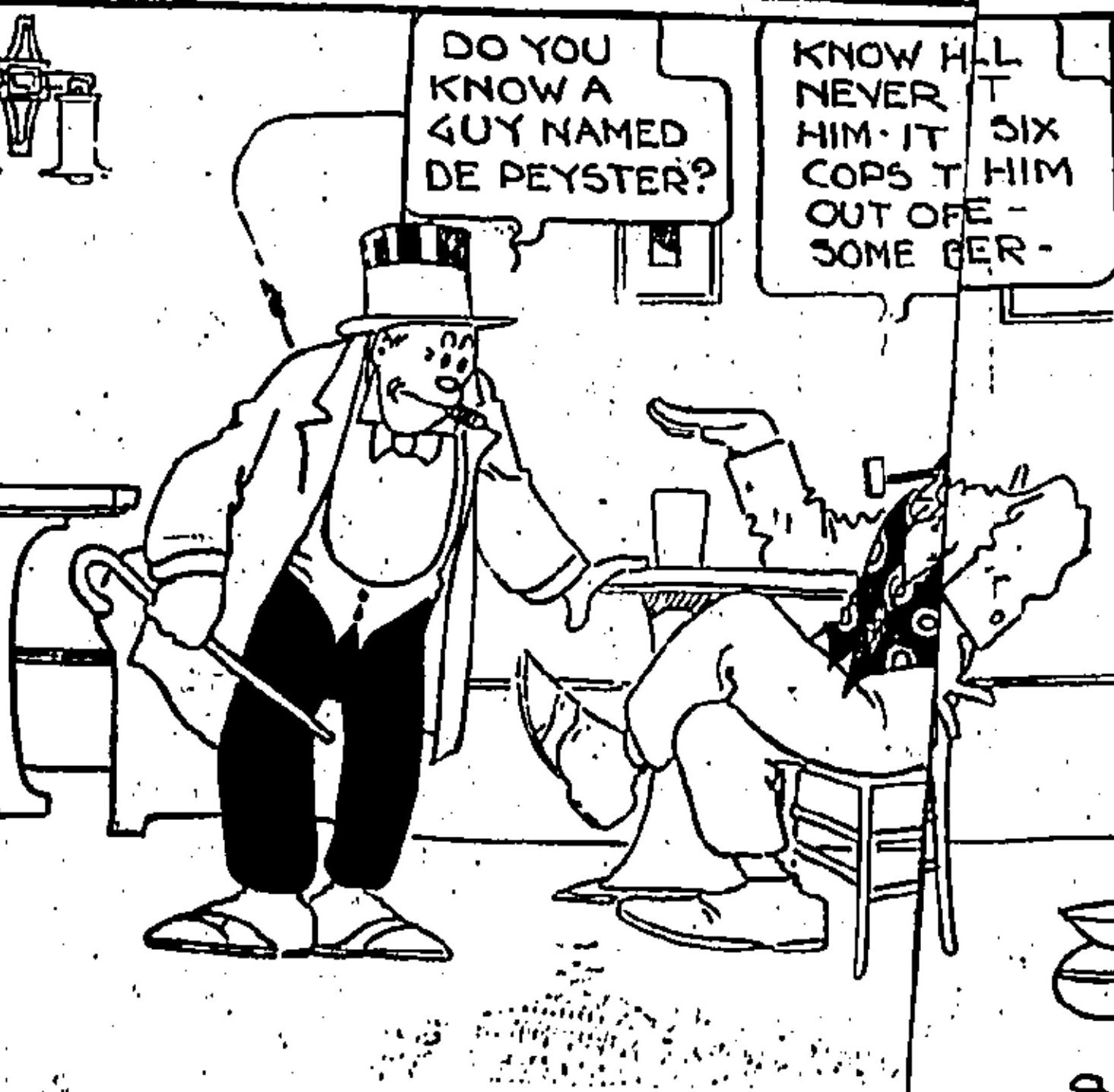
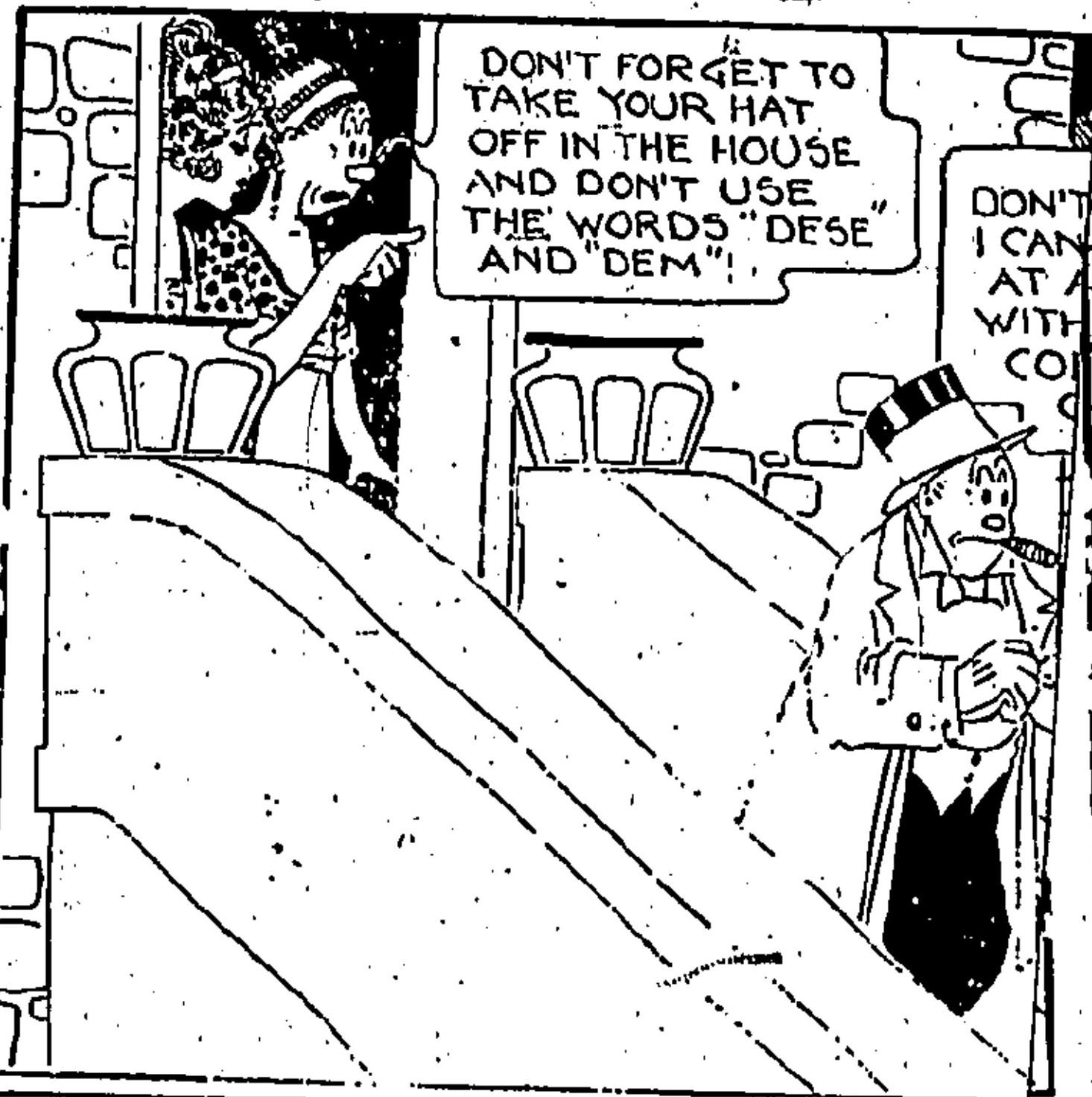


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## X—IS ANYONE HONEST?

## Scientific Tests Show There's No Such Thing!

[By Herbert E. Hawkes, Dean of Columbia College]

For a change this week, the "China Mail" is giving a layman's "sermon." It might be called — "Posers by Professors." In fact it is hardly a sermon but, in these days, it serves equally well as some orations from the pulpit.

*Why do we call some men honest? Is honesty a quality like red hair, that one either has or does not have? What conditions in early training are most likely to encourage an honest attitude? Does knowledge of honesty usually accompany honest behaviour? Does a desire to do the honest thing necessarily mean honest action? How can parents and teachers most effectively help a child to be honest?*

For some reason that is hard to understand, most of us have had the idea that honesty is a general trait possessed by some human beings and not possessed by others.

If this were true one could find out whether or not a person is honest by the same method as one would test a water-melon. Take out a sample plug. If the plug is good the whole melon is good, if bad the whole is bad.

For the last five years Professor Hugh Hartshorne, of Teacher's College, Columbia University, and Professor Mark A. May, of Yale University, have been engaged in an investigation of this field under a subvention from the Institute of Social and Religious Research.

They have first attempted to obtain an idea of the extent to which a knowledge of good and evil exists among the thousands of children whom they have examined. To accomplish this a great variety of situations have been described to children and their answers kept for comparison with the actual behaviour of the same children.

A large number of situations of the following types were presented. Sample: Jane's family was too poor to buy fruit for her sick brother. So every now and then Jane took an apple or an orange from a fruit stand and brought it home to him.

Now, if you think she was absolutely wrong in taking the fruit put a circle around the Wr. But if she did exactly right encircle the R. if you think she was wrong, but excusable in view of her desire to bring it to her sick brother, encircle the Ex. Begin here and do the rest in the same way:

1—Helen noticed that nearly every one in the class was cheating on a test, so she cheated, too ..... R. Ex. Wr

2—Charles did not want to play marbles for keeps, but the boys called him a "sissy," so he went ahead and played for keeps anyway. R. Ex. Wr

3—On the way to Sunday school Jack matched pennies with the other boys in order to get some money for the Sunday school collection ..... R. Ex. Wr

A study of these results indicated that there is no Moral Knowledge Age similar to the Mental Age that is so well understood. Moral knowledge depends on something beside the age of the individual.

The investigation is concerned not only with mere knowledge of the difference between a high level and a low level of integrity, but with an estimate as to whether the child thinks he would actually do the right thing or, at any rate, would like to behave on the higher level. From a multitude of devices used to get this information this is one:

If another pupil wants to copy your work and hand it in:  
(a) Let him do it and say nothing about it.

(b) Let him do it, but tell the teacher.

(c) Don't let him do it and say nothing.

(d) Don't let him do it and tell the teacher he wanted to.

(e) Don't let him and tell him that you don't approve of cheating.

The following are two of the situations used in another investigation. Two tests in arithmetic of equal difficulty were so carefully prepared that if a child were able to answer a certain number of questions in one test he would certainly be able to answer at least about the same number on the other one. One of these tests was given to students who were asked to correct their own papers by referring to a set of answers to the questions which were given to them by the teachers. The next day the other test was given to the same children, but no answers were provided. By comparing the results of the two tests the boys and girls who cheated in rating their own questions could be determined with reasonable accuracy.

## AL FRESCO FETE

## SUNDAY'S EFFORT FOR THE POOR

## MANY ATTRACTIONS

Arrangements are in full swing for the 46th Annual Bazaar of the St. Vincent de Paul, which will be held to-morrow in the Compound of the R. C. Cathedral from 3.30 p.m. onwards.

Judging from the enthusiasm of the members of the Committee, assisted by a large number of willing helpers, the Fete promises to provide not only Toys of every description for children but also fun and frolic for all folks.

Over 7,000 toys have been imported from Europe, and these can be won at the various stalls at prices ranging from 10 cents to a maximum of \$1.00. As in previous years there will again be the popular Farmyard Stall, where might be won Hams, Sausages, well-fed turkeys, geese, capons, sucking pigs, etc., all from the Dairy Farm Co.

The big feature of the Fete will naturally be the Draw for the Pontiac Six, a five-seater Sedan de luxe car and ten consolation prizes. This will take place at about 10.30 p.m. The car is being taken round the town since the last two days, mounted on a truck and presents a striking appearance. Tickets for this draw, at \$3.00 each are still obtainable and will be sold up to 6 p.m. on the day of the Fete.

Another special feature will be a Surprise Cake with 500 slices, every slice concealing a prize. Sovereigns, half-sovereigns, jewels and coins are amongst the articles hidden in the slices.

Last but not least there will be Variety Entertainments given by members of the Concert Party of H.M.S. "Titania," of the Churchill and Tait "Manila Shows," which have just arrived for a short season in the Colony, and a troupe of Chinese Magicians and Fire-eaters.

The novelty of this Variety Entertainment is that each performance will last only half an hour. Entirely new turns at each performance. Admission will be at the very modest price of 30 cents for adults and 20 cents for children.

The tendency to cheat in school almost always accompanies lack of cordial relation between teachers or school administrators and the children.

There seems to be some relation between a knowledge of what honesty is and honest behaviour itself. In fact, it is hard to see how anyone can regularly behave honestly in a certain situation unless he knows the difference between honesty and dishonesty. On the other hand, those whose answers to test questions indicate a lack of knowledge of integrity are usually dishonest in corresponding situations. For example, 91 per cent. of those who say it is all right to let another pupil copy your work and hand it in as his own actually cheat ed themselves.

The investigation seems to have established the following results, which are of great importance: (1) When dishonesty is rewarded, dishonesty is practised; (2) mere verbal promises to be honest and verbal formulations of the ideal of honesty do not produce general honest habits; and (3) fundamental changes in the school procedure which permit the exercise of initiative and self-judgment and change the traditional hostile attitude between pupil and teacher to one of co-operation may tend to eliminate dishonest practices in school work.

Some children came through all the tests and never gave a dishonest answer. Some were dishonest every time they had a chance. Most of them were between these extremes. Because a boy was honest in an arithmetical test gives no assurance that he will not steal money. Those who never touch the money may fall down in the other situations.

An analysis of all the material that has been gathered leads to the conclusion that there is no such thing as general honesty, but merely specific honesty in this or that situation.

By the establishment of relations of mutual confidence, by elevating the attitude of the home and the school toward all of the situations that involve straightforward and honest behaviour is the surest way to build up a technique of character education that will yield results. The development of character should

result from a careful and specific education, rather than from too much punishment or too many sermons.

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## OPENS TO-NIGHT

"MANILA SHOW" THRILLS AT  
PRAYA EAST  
CHANCE FOR THE KIDDIES

At 6 p.m. to-day the Manila Show will open on Praya East reclamation and offer Hong Kong something entirely new in the way of amusements. The Manila Show is termed an out-door attraction, that is, the amusements are grouped in a large enclosure with various booths and side shows about a centre composed of the latest riding devices. It is better described when compared to one of the fairs at Home.

The latest amusement attraction comes to Hong Kong with the finest of references, as it has been in Burma, the Straits Settlements, Federated Malay States and India for several years. Last holiday season, the shows played in Calcutta for ten weeks.

Business will depend on the length of the Hong Kong engagement; but as the show is very well liked by the Chinese, there is reason to believe that it will be here at least until after the holidays. The children of the Colony will enjoy a Christmas at the Manila Shows carnival grounds.

The Show has been busy for several days getting the huge equipment ready. Admission to the grounds is 10 cents.

**JAPAN & CHINA**  
MR. TOKONAMI TO VISIT  
NATIONALISTS

Tokyo, Yesterday. The departure to Shanghai of Mr. Tokonami this evening is causing much conjecture, especially as he intends meeting the leading Nationalists, afterwards proceeding to Manchuria.

There is reason to believe that Baron Tanaka will listen to any suggestions he may make after his return. Baron Tanaka may modify his China policy, accordingly, with the purpose of ensuring the support of Mr. Tokonami's Shinto Party during the coming session of the Diet, thus ensuring a Government majority.

It is believed Mr. Tokonami would like to see Japan supporting the Nationalists, in return for recognition of Japan's predominant economic interests in Manchuria.—Reuter.

**SHANGHAI TRAM STRIKE**

Shanghai, Yesterday. Foreigners are now manning essential services in the French Concession in an effort to break the strike of the French Tramway Co.'s employees.

The Co. has declined to accept the overtures of the local branch of the Kuomintang Party, which has offered to negotiate on behalf of the strikers. The Co. repudiates the status of the Kuomintang.

It is authoritatively stated that the Tramway Co. is insisting upon the return of the strikers before entering into negotiation. The radicals are now attempting to involve the Settlement workers in the dispute.—Reuter.

**YEN HSI-SHAN**

Nanking, Yesterday. Marshal Yen Hsi-shan arrived early this morning and was welcomed by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and other prominent members of the Government.

Shanghai, Yesterday. The foregoing message concerning Yen Hsi-shan was an official statement. Reuter's Nanking correspondent states that up to a late hour this evening, Yen Hsi-shan had not arrived. This afternoon the Fukow Railway officials stated that Yen was not travelling in Sir Miles Lampson's train, but just behind the British Minister. Later, the same officials stated there was no news of Yen's train and his whereabouts were unknown.—Reuter.

**BANDITS IN NORTH**

Kalgan, Yesterday. The region between Kalgan and Dolonor is dangerously infested by bandits, mostly ex-soldiers, but including bands of Mongols who are seriously interfering with motor traffic from Kalgan.

The Chinese authorities are sending a mobile force of 5,000, accompanied by 40 armoured cars, to suppress the bandits.—Reuter.

**CHINA'S NEW TARIFF**

Nanking, Yesterday. The new tariff schedule was adopted by the State Council to day and promulgated. It will be enforced from Feb. 1, for one year only.—Reuter.

Mrs. Shaw, who is a doctor, has been nominated to fill the vacancy caused in the Punjab Legislative Council by the resignation of Dr. C. A. Owen, a representative of the European and Anglo-Indian community. Mrs. Shaw is the first woman to become a member of the Council.

## "THE KING OF KINGS"

FAIRMOS FILM TO BE SCREEN AGAIN  
AT THE QUEEN'S

In response to numerous requests, the famous dramatic production "The King of Kings" will be screened at the Queen's Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue. Perhaps no other film ever produced has caused so much comment as this screen version of the life story of Jesus Christ, but one point upon which the critics have agreed is, that the sacred story has been handled with great reverence and thought by its eminent producer, Cecil B. De Mille.

The most striking comment in its favour is by a writer in the "Christian World." He said, "I was struck by its simplicity and by the power of its appeal to popular audience. I saw people go in—talking lightly and laughingly, very much like the pleasure-seekers who were thronging the doors of the neighbouring theatres. I saw them come out silent, awed, subdued, with a look of wrapped wonder in their eyes. If anyone had told me that the crucifixion could be enacted on the screen without any offence to devout feelings or fastidious taste, I should have dismissed the suggestion as wildly impossible."

Much of the picture is photographed in the technicolour process, thus enhancing certain scenes which demand a lavish setting. Nothing that tends faintly to pictorial beauty has been omitted from this unique production.

**MALARIA CONTROL**

**SIR MALCOLM WATSON'S  
INTERESTING REVIEW**

The work which has been done in recent years for the prevention of malaria was described at a meeting held in connection with the Ross Institute for Tropical Diseases in the Council Room of the Rubber Growers' Association in Eastcheap. A statement was also made with regard to the purposes for which an Industrial Anti-Malaria Advisory Committee has been formed.

Sir Charles McLeod, chairman of the Ross Institute, who presided, said that, in spite of a continual financial struggle, the executive committee and the directors, ably assisted by their organizing secretary, had done exceedingly good work by means of their anti-malaria campaign.

Sir Malcolm Watson, who addressed the meeting, said that the medical profession, in a resolution which was passed at the congress of the Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine held at Calcutta in December, 1927, had given a unanimous opinion and laid down a clear-cut policy on the subject of malaria control. They considered that for towns, mines, plantations large public works and similar aggregations of people the control of the breeding places of the malaria-carrying species was a method which should be employed whatever other anti-malarial measures were put into force.

They also stated that wherever possible control should be effected by permanent works which eliminated entirely the source of mosquito breeding. Before effect could be given to this resolution certain very real difficulties would have to be faced. In the first place, malaria control by means of mosquito control was not primarily a medical question at all. Medical men were trained principally in the diagnosis of disease and the treatment of the sick; the prevention of malaria was more a health problem, and in the tropics health officers were the exception and not the rule.

**Control of Mosquitoes**

The second difficulty had been that the control of mosquitoes was more than anything else an entomological question. Some mosquitoes lived in shade and some in sunshine. The destruction of shade in certain places might introduce these dangerous light-loving insects and increase existing malaria. The third difficulty was that for many forms of mosquito control a knowledge of drainage was necessary, and medical men were not trained in engineering schemes. The Industrial Advisory Committee hoped to be of assistance to tropical industry in supplying expert advice which was necessary before an employer could go ahead on a scheme with confidence that the money expended would give the desired results. The Institute and hospital received sick men from the tropics, and it was open to medical men to come for advice or to work on the problems in which they were particularly interested. There would be established what he believed would be a unique museum illustrating all the habits of the mosquito, and information would be given to medical men as to how the insects could be controlled.

Expeditions would be sent abroad from time to time to study problems on the spot along with local medical men, and to discuss with them what steps could be taken to control the disease. He had read many reports about malaria in Africa, but he had not heard any reports of the places in Africa that were healthy, and yet these were the places which were to be the key to the solution of the African problem. Ultimately, as the demand for anti-malaria work grew greater, he hoped there would be a staff of export research officers and engineers, the need for which was stressed by the Calcutta Congress.

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**Sport Columns**
**SOCER RULERS**

**WHAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE DECIDED**

**A VARIETY OF TOPICS**

The "China Mail" has been favoured with copies of the minutes of meetings of the Emergency Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association, of the Council of the H. K. F. A., and of the H. K. Amateur Football League.

Suspensions of several players, as indicated by "Royer" in his weekly notes yesterday, are referred to, as follow:

Herridge of the Reserves XI of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regt. until April 30, 1929. This is in connection with a division II League match v. Chinese Athletic on Nov. 17. The captain of the Athletic team, Ng Po-lau, was suspended until Feb. 1, 1929 because his side refused to continue with the game. The Chinese Athletic Association has been warned that it is "responsible for players being acquainted with the rules, that they must be instructed to obey the referee without question, and that should there be a repetition of the offence it will render the Club liable to expulsion from the Association."

Nollis of Royal Artillery was suspended until Jan. 1, 1929, for conduct in a division I League match v. South China A. A.

**Lai Wah Cup**  
Final of the Lai Wah Cup (Chinese v. the Army), fixed for Dec. 15; 11 miniature cups are to be presented to the winners.

The Poppy Day Game's gross receipts of \$828.70 are to be allotted to the Poppy Day Fund, the F. A. bearing the expenses of \$124.65.

South China Command Sports Board fixtures: Dec. 18, on the H. K. F. C. ground, Royal Navy v. the Army in their annual game for charity. Jan. 1, at Soakumpoo, the Army v. Rest of the Colony, in aid of the Army branch of the Ministering Children's League; Messrs. J. W. Barber, J. Ormiston and H. K. Lee to choose "the Rest" team.

**"Sunday Herald" Cup**  
"Sunday Herald" Charity Cup: Sub-committees to select teams have been appointed as follow:

England: Messrs. F. Smith, G. T. May, Capt. A. W. Austin, M.C., M.M.

Scotland: Messrs. R. Hall, J. Ormiston, Lt. J. D. A. MacLaren. Members of the F. A. Council and the League Management Committee have been issued with passes entitling them to admission into all grounds and stands under the jurisdiction of the F. A.

Entries for the Hong Kong Challenge Shield competition (the local equivalent of the Cup-ties at Home) must be sent in immediately the draw for the first round will be made on Dec. 28.

In a League match, division 1, 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B. v. South China on Nov. 3, the former team played Reeves who was not registered. The game is to be re-played and the gate proceeds to go to the League.

**Fines Imposed**  
Kowloon F. C. have been fined \$10 and warned for not fulfilling a division II engagement v. the 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B. and not informing their opponents of intended postponement.

Because of the pressure of examinations, the University did not fill their division I League engagements on Nov. 17, 24 and Dec. 8. The Amateur Football League imposed a fine of \$10 and passed the following resolution:

That the University F. C. and all players registered for them at this date (Dec. 4) be suspended from the H. K. Amateur Football League for the rest of the season, and that previous games in which they had participated this season be expunged from the records."

**Didn't Answer the "Sec."**  
Because the Club de Recreio failed to turn out a team against South China "A" in division II of the League on Nov. 10 and also because of subsequent developments, the League imposed a fine of \$10 and recorded:

"For failing to reply to correspondence sent by the League Hon. Secretary, the Club de Recreio Junior Division players are suspended until such time as correspondence is answered, and until a satisfactory explanation is received as to their previous failure to do so."

**Had No Gear**  
Royal Artillery failed to appear against South China "B" in division II on Nov. 17. Their explanation—absence of gear—has been accepted and the match will be played later on.

Mr. E. de Sousa (Club de Recreio) resigned from the League Management Committee on leaving

**GOLF****STARTING TIMES FOR TO-MORROW****AT FANLING**

9.25 a.m.	R. H. Hollis, K. S. Robertson,
9.30	J. M. Walker, A. E. Lissaman,
9.35	A. T. Lay, O. E. C. Marton,
9.40	T. L. Christie, F. J. de Rome,
9.45	H. H. Lennox, A. H. Ferguson,
9.50	I. W. Shewan, T. G. Bennett,
9.55	D. G. G. MacDonald, L. R. Andrews,
10.00	L. Yates, E. Stone,
10.04	H. G. Howard, J. M. Norrie,
10.08	E. R. Hallifax, A. B. Raworth,
10.12	E. Davidson, C. B. Johnson,
10.16	F. A. Merry, Major Beamish,
10.20	A. Leach, A. B. Purves,
10.24	J. Coulthart, G. W. Jeffries,
10.28	A. R. Cox, D. M. Goodall,
10.32	J. S. Dykes, W. A. Weight,
10.36	T. Grant, J. Cameron,
10.40	W. J. Clark, E. D. Lawrence,
10.44	D. L. MacWhirter, N. K. Littlejohn,
10.48	B. J. Lacson, V. Benjamin,
10.52	N. L. Smith, H. U. Ireland,
10.56	K. L. Dugan, H. A. Lammert,
11.00	J. P. Sherry, R. J. J. Sneddon,
11.04	T. F. Chubb, J. D. Humphreys,
11.08	H. D. Browne, M. M. Mass,
11.12	C. P. Ross, H. Spicer,
11.16	J. D. Thomson, G. H. Wilson,
11.20	S. T. Butlin, W. J. S. Key,
11.24	L. Garner, G. W. Garrett,
11.28	W. C. Clark, T. A. Martin,
11.32	J. Gardner, A. Webster,

**HOCKEY****H. K. HOCKEY CLUB'S TEAMS**

The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven in a match with the K.O.S.B. at the U.S.R.C. on Wednesday at 4.45 prompt.—W. K. Tait, O. E. C. Marton, D. Lyon, A. A. Dand (captain), E. J. R. Mitchell, J. E. Noronha, J. H. Plummer, H. Owen Hughes, E. D. Lawrence, C. C. Francis, and G. E. R. Divett.

The second eleven to meet the Y.M.C.A. on Monday at 4.45 at King's Park will be—W. K. Tait, R. Todd, L. F. Nicholson (captain), A. J. W. Ashby, Major J. P. S. Greig, L. A. R. Duncan, J. T. Price, W. Woodward, R. K. Valentine, W. A. Nowers and E. C. Fincher.

**Kowloon Indians Win**  
Yesterday afternoon the hockey team of the Kowloon Indians Tennis Club met the Beds and Herts on the Marine ground and won by six goals to two.

The first half was closely contested, and when half-time was called, the Indians led by the odd goal in three. The Beds and Herts started the second half very promisingly, and equalised within five minutes.

After this the Indians dominated the game, and attacking often and well scored four more goals without reply.

In spite of their defeat, the Beds and Herts showed that they were a well balanced side which would do better after they become used to local conditions.

the Colony. Mr. R. A. Silva has been invited to fill the vacancy.

**Transfers**

The following transfers have been approved:

Police R. C.: from division I to Mid-Week League, Sherry, as from Nov. 26; McEwan, Johnson, Muir from Dec. 4.

Club de Recreio: from division I to division II; as from Nov. 28.

J. M. Silva from Club de Recreio to St. Joseph's College as from Nov. 15.

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**CRICKET****LEAGUE AND "FRIENDLY" TEAMS****FOR TO-DAY**

The following will represent the Kowloon C.C. in a friendly match against the Hong Kong C.C. to-day on the K.C.C. ground at 2 p.m.—F. Goodwin (Capt.), W. Brace, A. W. Ramsey, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, N. H. Ross, G. A. V. Hall, H. T. Buxton, F. S. W. Smith, S. Jex and Oliver.

Kowloon C.C. seconds will be represented by the following in their match against University seconds at Pokfulam at 2 p.m. to-day: H. Overy (Capt.), N. Mackay, D. S. Green, B. Petheram, A. R. F. Raven, G. Lee, O. B. Raven, A. E. Silksone, Lt. H. A. R. Puttee, Lt. A. Laithwaite and E. R. Price.

**Hong Kong Electric Team**

The following will represent the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club in a friendly match against the Police Recreation Club, at Happy Valley to-day.—H. F. Akhurst, C. H. Coutts, L. de Rome, J. C. Dunbar, C. E. Gahagan, H. S. Jones, J. F. Lunny, H. M. Marshall, W. N. H. Murdoch, W. B. Muskett, and J. R. Way (Captain). Reserves: G. T. Padgett and S. Deacon.

**D.B.S.v. Hong Kong C.C. 2nd XI**

The Diocesan Boys' School will be represented by the following in their match against the Hong Kong C.C. 2nd XI to-day on the Club ground—Rev. W. T. Featherstone, D. L. Youngsaye, D. J. N. Anderson, W. H. Kwan, R. Lee, G. A. Lee, F. K. Lee, A. Prata, H. Jackson and R. Reed. Reserve, G. Winch. Scorer, A. T. Nonmanhoy.

**'VARSITY MATCH****Cambridge's Easy Win Over Oxford**

In this annual inter-Varsity cricket match between local graduates of these two English Universities, Cambridge easily defeated Oxford on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground.

Oxford batted first and were all out for 127 runs. The best scorer for the side were A. E. Wood 47, B. C. K. Hawkins 38 and R. H. Dowler 25. Bowling for Cambridge, Wallington took five wickets for 26 runs, and Pendered three for 27.

Cambridge showed disregard for the Oxford bowling, and scoring consistently, had no difficulty in passing their opponents' total. They compiled 213 for the loss of only four wickets.

Abelson retired (not out) after he had collected 100 runs. The other scores were Moore 84, Trayes 25 (not out), Barrow 22, and Pendered 17 (not out).

**TENNIS****OPEN MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP**

Playing yesterday in the third round of the open Mixed Doubles Tennis Championship tournament organised by the Chinese Recreation Club, Mrs. R. E. Lindsell and M. K. Lo were defeated by Miss Enid Lo and M. W. Lo, after a closely contested game which aroused considerable interest and was witnessed by a good attendance of tennis enthusiasts.

The winners took the match in two straight sets. The first went to them rather easily for 6-1, but the second set was strenuously fought out. It went into 22 games before Miss Lo and her brother won by 12-10.

As the result of yesterday's match, the winners now enter the semi-final in which they will meet Mrs. Miles and H. Owen Hughes. The other semi-finalists are Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham, and Lieut. and Mrs. Hale.

It is hoped to decide both the semi-finals and final on the C.R.C. courts, the former on Saturday, December 15, and the latter on Sunday, December 16.

**BILLIARDS****ST. PATRICK'S BEAT CATHOLIC UNION**

At St. Patrick's Club, Garden-road, on Thursday night a return billiards match was played between cads of that club and representatives of the Catholic Union Club.

Six matches were played and each side won three, but when the scores were added up, St. Patrick's ran out winners by the narrow margin of 2 points. The totals were St. Patrick's 1,032, Catholic Union 1,020.

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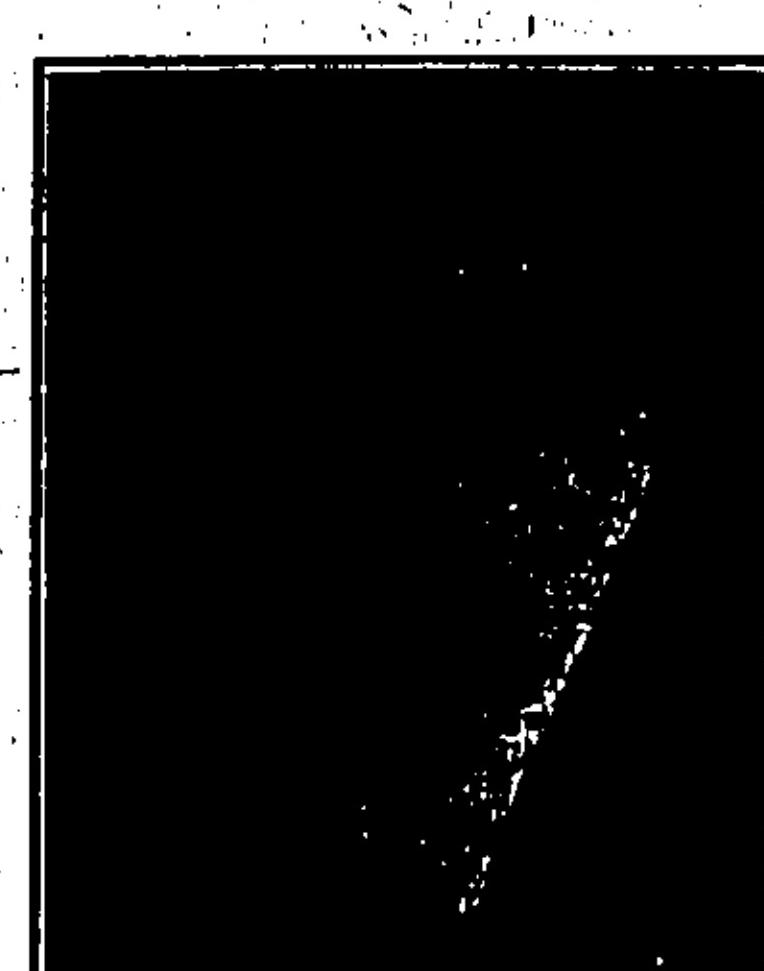
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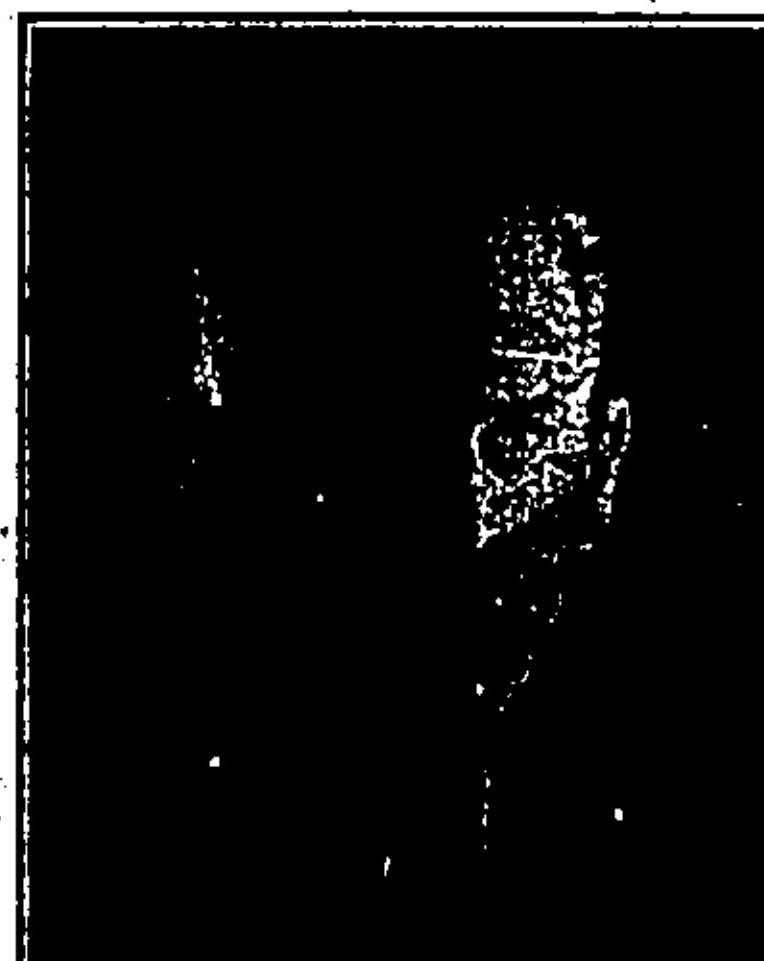
Two Czechoslovak journalists, on a tour around the world in order to gain a comprehensive knowledge of geographical features of the different countries, paid £30 each for a seat in a motor-bus for a one and a half days' journey through the desert of Iraq where no other white man was encountered;

**Tulka Karel**

ed; but they obtained the autograph of King Feisal.

The travellers are Formanek Jaroslav of "The Ring" and Tulka Karel of "Press Service," both of Prague. Their call on the "China Mail" synchronised with the publication of a new portrait of President Masaryk of Czechoslovakia, who also autographed their book. They are staying here a week.

While passing through the Persian Gulf, the temperature was around 140 degrees! Singapore,

**Formanek Jaroslav**

which has a reputation of having a hot climate, the two young men found to be "nothing in comparison."

Their experiences to date have been interesting and it will be another year before they see Prague again, from which they set out in April. Among their collections is an album of photos with which they hope to write a book describing their experiences.

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# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Darling of the Paris Revues



Mrs. Jack Dempsey



13th Marriage Venture



Above: Alimé Crocker Gouraud, who has had eleven husbands one after the other. Below, left, her daughter, Yvonne, who is to marry in Paris, as a second venture, the millionaire theatrical magnate, Frank Keeney, seen on right.

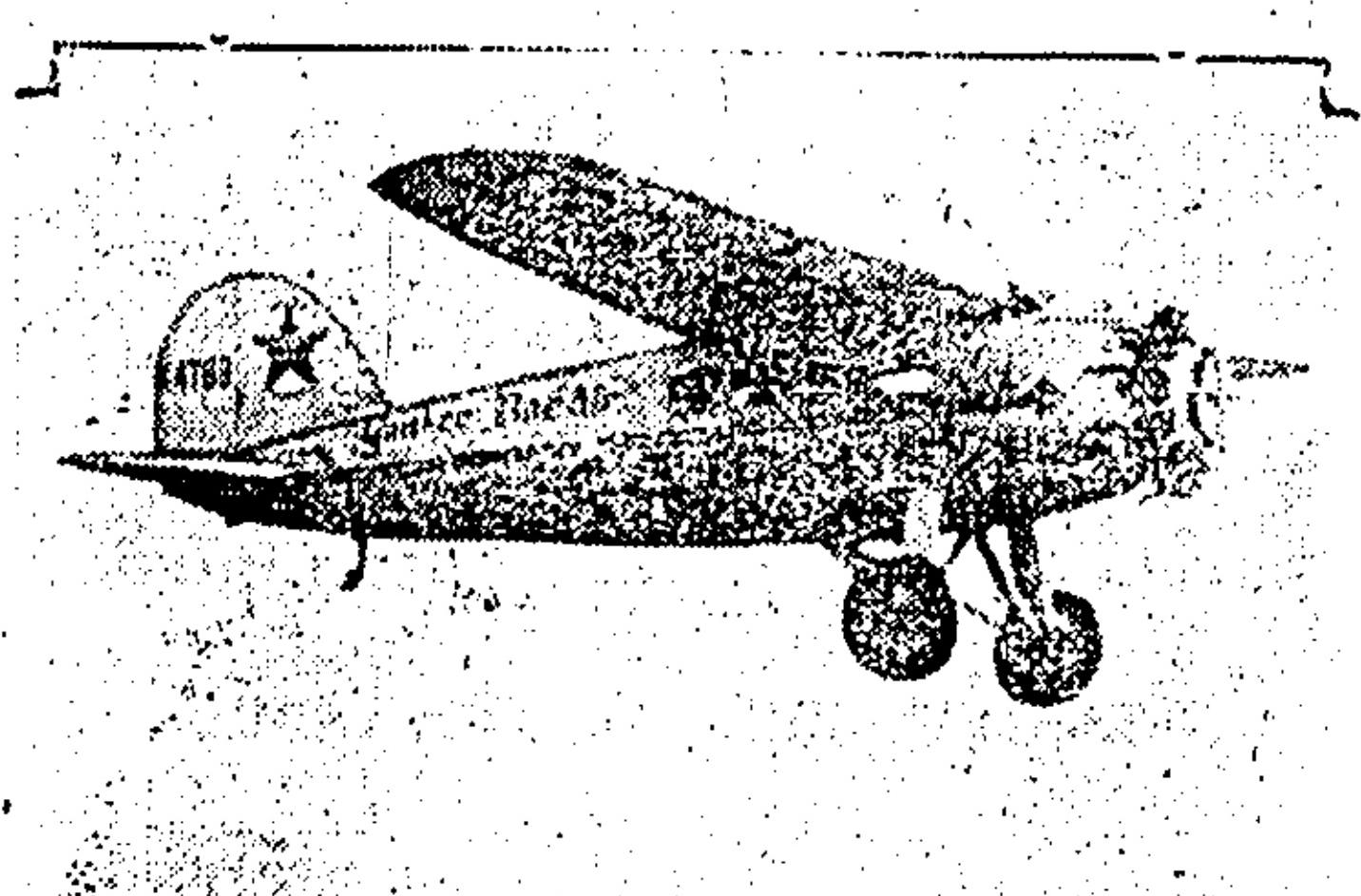
Estelle Taylor, the former screen actress, who complains of too much attention by undertakers—and Pressmen.

Ravishing Tina Meller who came out of Andalusia to capture the hearts of Paris playgoers, now bids fair to equal, if not exceed, the reputation of her famous sister, Raquel.

Peter Pan Fame



Crashed!



The aeroplane "Yankee Doodle" before it crashed to earth in an attempt on the trans-Continent record.

London Dinner Dress



This (London make) dinner dress is of cream lace, elaborately jewelled. The back is cut in a very low V; the low V neck is modified with a lace insert. Suspended from the right of the waist, the hanging panel accentuates the slenderizing influence of the entire design.

Visited Europe



Refreshed by her extended vacation in France and Italy, Dolores Del Rio, motion picture star, is shown aboard the ss. "Olympic".

Norwegian Heavyweight



Otto Von Porat, the Norwegian heavyweight prize-fighter, during his training for the bout with Paulino Uzcudun.

A Creation From Hollywood



Posed by Kathryn Crawford—From Hollywood comes this interesting black chiffon velvet creation with its circular skirt and smart overblouse, the latter being enhanced by a cors collar and cuffs of the same shade. This tie is of georgette crepe edged with lace, while the hat is a smart cors felt with a ribbon to match.

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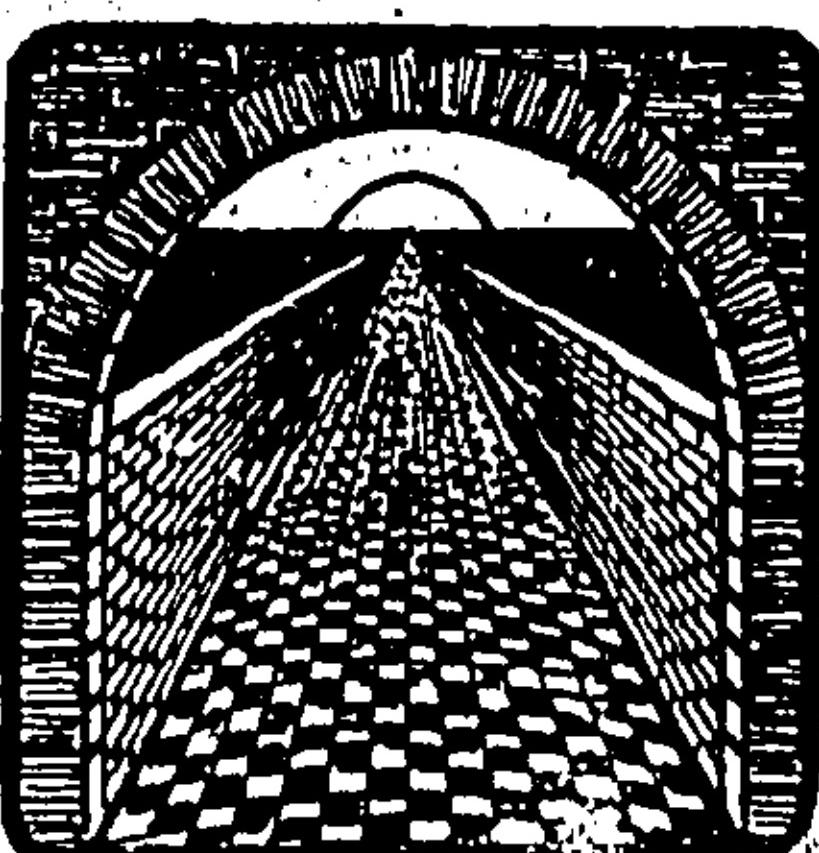
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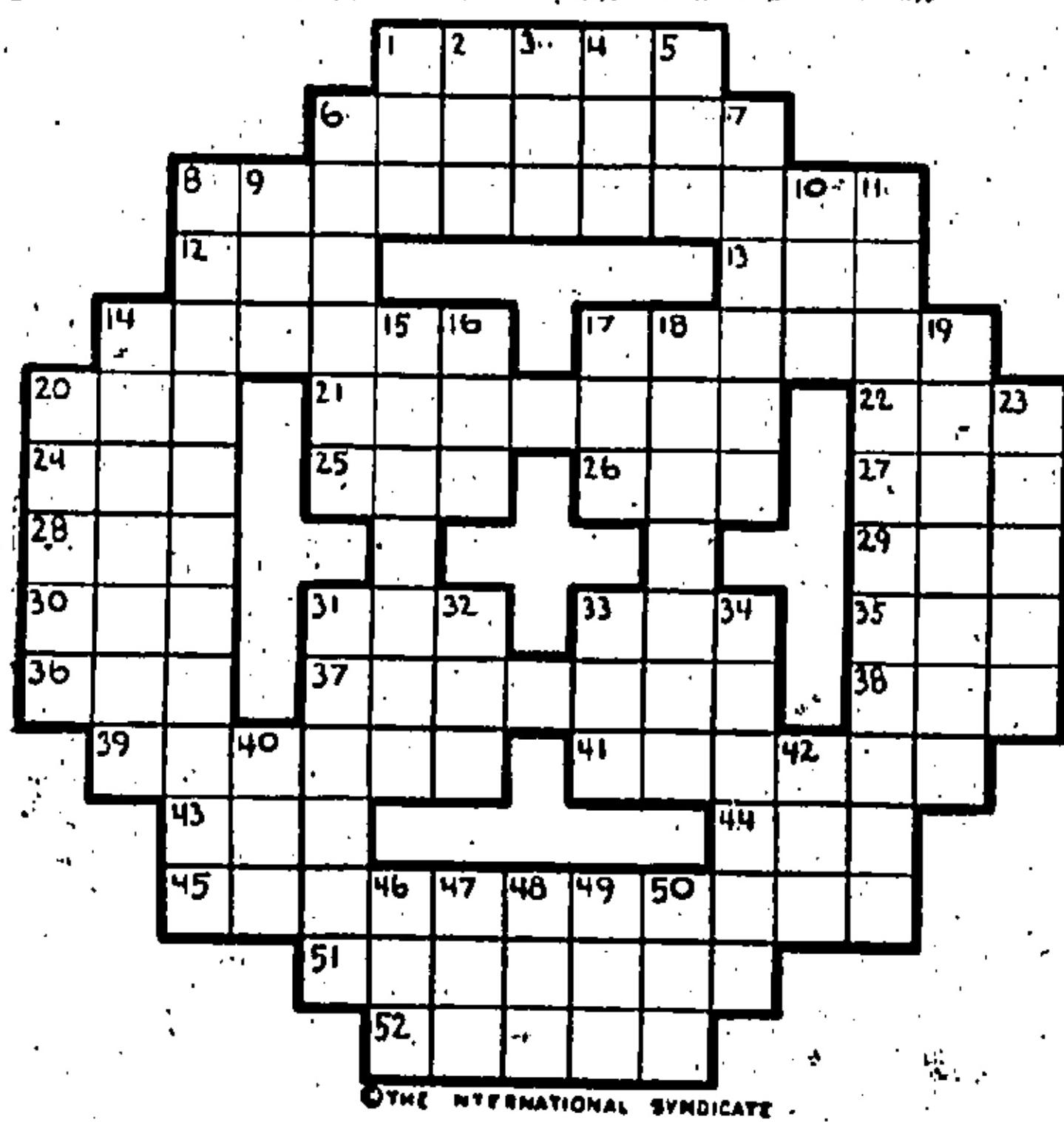
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as *härbor*, *plow*, and *albor*.)



THE INTERNATIONAL SYNDICATE.

**HORIZONTAL**  
1-Causing death or destruction  
6-Restaurant where dancing and vaudeville are features  
8-Grand jury action  
12-Raised border  
13-Dry thoroughly  
14-Relatively constituted authority  
17-Circumstances  
20-Riviron  
21-Roman god of the sea  
22-Practices the use of needles and thread  
24-Member of an Indian tribe  
25-River in Scotland  
26-Fly that stings cattle  
27-A pastry  
28-Destroy by violence  
29-Suffix denoting office or function  
30-Precious meaning "threefold"

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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## "MAIL" REVIEWS

## SURVIVALS OF OLD LONDON CUSTOMS

## A PARIS THRILLER

[Quaint Survivals of Old London Customs, by H. E. Popham, Cecil Palmer Press.]

Four middle-aged and well-do-crowns' foreigner in London and interest themselves in the origins of many of the quaint customs and ceremonies peculiar to the metropolis. Taverns, churches, schools, guilds and charities are in turn investigated. The pooled researches form the substance of the book. The picturesque ceremonies connected with the Lord Mayor's Show, the Election of the Sheriffs, the State Entry of the Sovereign into the City make pleasant reading and forcibly remind one of the reverence still paid to precedent. To one born within the sound of Bow Bells the excursions into lesser known regions of the civic history of London should prove fascinating. The whimsicalities of various London benefactors will amuse a wider public. What queer fancy, one wonders, was responsible for the clause in the will of one Abraham Colfe, directing that he was to be interred in a little vault of free stones, and that over it was to be placed a plank on which the parishioners might take their ease before going into the church? Humour of a grave form, surely. The book is in the conversational style and a light touch is added by the interlarding of the love story of a most proper and old-fashioned, middle-aged gentleman.

—J. C.

## "MOVIE" FLAVOUR

[Stone Blunts Scissors, by Gerrard Fairlie, Hodder & Stoughton.]

A story full of action from start to finish; the sort of book one does not want to put down and pick up to continue later.

This is a modern, present day mystery story, with a sufficient number of characters taking part to make it interesting without distracting from the main part played by the hero and heroine.

As the title suggests, it is the dogged persistence and patience of the very British sleuth, Victor Caryll, which eventually track down and win the day over an extremely clever and dangerous criminal. One admires Caryll for his pluck and perseverance in the face of difficulties and even death, but one also cannot help having a sneaking regard for some of the qualities possessed by the villain, who is a weird combination of "Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde." He shows generosity and kindness towards his "adopted daughter," whom he uses as a tool in his evil work; he also has a keen sense of humour, but his brutality and fiendish cruelty more than outweigh whatever virtues he may possess.

It is not till one has read about half the book that one suspects that the millionaire American, visiting Paris with his beautiful daughter, Patricia, has something to do with the mysterious kidnapper, who extorts huge sums of money from his victims or their relatives. The real identity of the villain is cleverly disguised, so that one's curiosity is piqued, and one's interest held right to the last.

The superstitious reader will take warning after reading this yarn, for it is through the frequent use of the colour green, to which the villain is addicted, that he is tracked down, and his cleverly thought-out plans are destroyed.

The romantic element is supplied by the beautiful "daughter" of the millionaire, aided by the hero who, though very busy crook hunting, finds time to let his interest in the girl, grow to something deeper.

After Patricia learns the truth as to the nature of her "father's" business and source of wealth, she risks her life to aid those who are working against him, though at the last she remembers his kindness to her in the past and rushes to warn him that the game is up, knowing that by doing so, she may lose the love which she had just found in the hero.

A neat compliment is paid to the British by the fact that though the events of the story took place in France and the Surete employ their best men in trying to solve the mystery, the lead is given to the Englishman, Caryll.

There are some tense moments towards the close of the story, but perhaps some of the "stunts" performed by the hero are a little overdone and have a "movie" flavour. At the same time we can recommend this book as very well worth reading and also as a congenial way of passing a few hours.

## TRAVELS IN HOPE

[By James Milne. Drawings in Colour, by Donald Maxwell. (Hodder and Stoughton, 12/6 net.)]

This is a very handsome volume, charmingly written and beautifully illustrated. Mr. Milne is a lucky man in being under two influences—Wanderlust and R. L. Stevenson—which give him such joy. It is evident that he loves travelling and jotting down his impressions. Time and again throughout this delightful book do we come across a Stevensonian phrase or piece of philosophy used not in a plagiaristic way but quite naturally. We feel sure that the writing of these twenty-two vignettes gave great pleasure to the author. A beautiful and sympathetic piece of writing on "The Cenotaph" which he calls "The Heart of the Empire" prepares the reader for a feast of good things. Mr. Milne then discourses like a city lover about Piccadilly, Bond-street, and Harley-street; like an angler about the Highlands; like a huntsman about Devon; and like Mr. Galsworthy about a Cornishman. He then takes us to Brussels where rather too much time is spent in locating the hall where the famous dance on the eve of Waterloo was held, then on to dear delightful naughty Paris, after which we breathe the clear air and view the blue sky and sea of the Riviera. Rome, Naples, and Capri are then visited and diagnosed. After hearing about the attractions of Vienna, Prague and Budapost we expect to be transferred to Athens or Constantinople but no: our author suddenly flies across the Mediterranean to Tunisia and gives us an Eothen-like description of the desert. He then dashes across the Atlantic and, as if to show the catholicity of his taste, takes us first of all to comfortable old-fashioned polite French-speaking Quebec "old and coloured by the centuries" and then to hectic, breathless, rushing bustling New York with its sky-scrappers and cafeterias.

To the intimate little essays on each place piquancy is given by a few Puckish remarks on the local ladies: as the author says: "The human hall-marks of a capital town are its women: how they look, how they comport themselves, how they dress." But the main charm of the book lies in the fact that the author seems to take us with him not as a professional guide but as one who knows and who has caught the atmosphere of each place visited. He loves London as if he had been born within the sound of Bow Bells, the Highlands as if he were a Gael, Devon and Cornwall as if he came from the South-West etc.

Donald Maxwell's beautiful paintings deserve a special word of praise and add a finishing touch to a well-written and handsomely-bound volume.

## MOSTLY CHATTER

[The Darkest Spot, by Lee Thayer, Hurst and Blackett.]

It has often been observed that the darkest spot is nearest to the flame of the candle. Knowing this, Mr. Thayer packs plenty of dark blurs round his flame to confuse the reader who is ambitious to pick the right one. The facts are that a dissolute young nephew has a flat next door to his rich aunt, and key to her safe. She is found strangled; but a mysterious old man also lives nearby, and he gets himself suspected. Then a nice girl also gets mixed up in the plot, and a urban family doctor, a lady's maid, and several friends of the deceased. The police imagine stupidly that it is a simple case, but a red-haired detective named Clancy steps into the breach. Incidentally, a little girl who dresses as a boy and sells newspapers has a say in it all. A good shock to being nearly all conversation.

THE PERILS OF PETER

[East All the Way, by J. G. Lockhart, Ernest Benn, Ltd.]

Best known as a writer on the sea and its mysteries and perils, J. G. Lockhart has swallowed the anchor in his latest work and produced an excellent if improbable tale of mystery and adventure by land. There is something doing all the time, from the moment when an Armenian, in a frock coat and yellow boots, with a cypher in his pocket, appeared in Fyrd St. Mary's, to be stabbed to death in the rectory grounds, till Veronika Garstin whispers "Peter, it's you dear; it never was anyone but you!" In between Peter and the Garstins go from Somerset to Palestine, find the Ark of the Covenant hidden in a cave, lose it in a flood, and have a lively time with Bolsheviks and crooks. The hero is an Oxford man, and the arch-villain went to Cambridge. Which is as it should be.

## ELDON'S EDUCATION

[The School of England, edited by J. Dover Wilson, with a preface by Lord Eustace Percy, Sidgwick and Jackson.]

It is recorded that Lord Eldon earned his degree at Oxford in 1770 by answering two questions, one in Hebrew and one in history. They were: (1) What is the Hebrew for the place of a skull? (2) Who founded University College? As he gave the right answers to both questions, he passed with honours. Dr. Wilson quotes this story in the introduction to the book which various experts have written on education in England, yet he expresses no regret for the spacious days which have so long since passed away. The impression left is that education is now a thing of great and growing complexity.

## TWO THAT LOVED

[Diana and David, by Cecil Roberts, Hodder and Stoughton.]

At one end of Hyde Park is a statue of Diana, and at the other a statue of David, and Cecil Roberts has the quaint conceit to ask his readers to imagine that his novel is the story of these two, brought up to date. The reader will wonder why, because it is neither the tale of Diana, the huntress, nor of David who slew Goliath. It is the tale of a foolish young man who took another's name and nearly lost his Diana by so doing. It ends on a note of romance, but leaves the reader rather sorry for a much worthier young man who is blind and who loves Diana.

## HOW TO SUCCEED

[The Horseshoe Nails, by George Westcott, Hodder and Stoughton.]

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## CONAN DOYLE'S VERSE

[Collected Poems of Arthur Conan Doyle, Murray.]

Not great poetry, but still pleasant enough to the taste of many are the simple ballads of A. Conan Doyle, as in his "Song of the Bow."

## WHAT OF THE BOW?

The bow was made in England: Of true wood, of yew-wood, The wood of English bows;

So men who are free

Love the old yew-tree  
And the land where the yew-tree grows."

It is certain that Doyle will be remembered as the inventor of Sherlock Holmes long after his rhymes are forgotten; but all the same, there is a kindly spirit in all these verses, and a touch of wit as in his "Parable."

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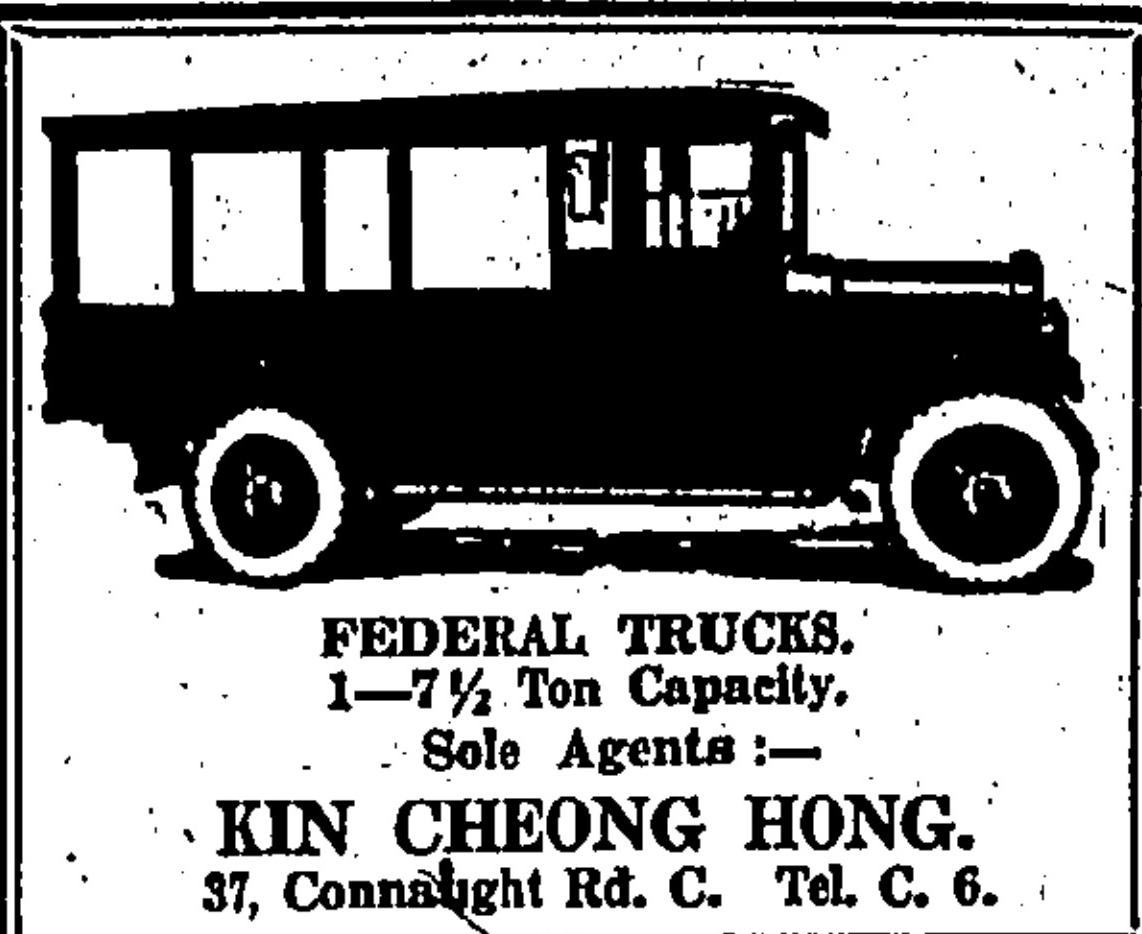
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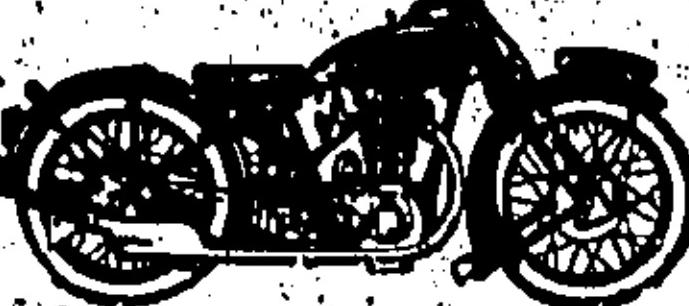
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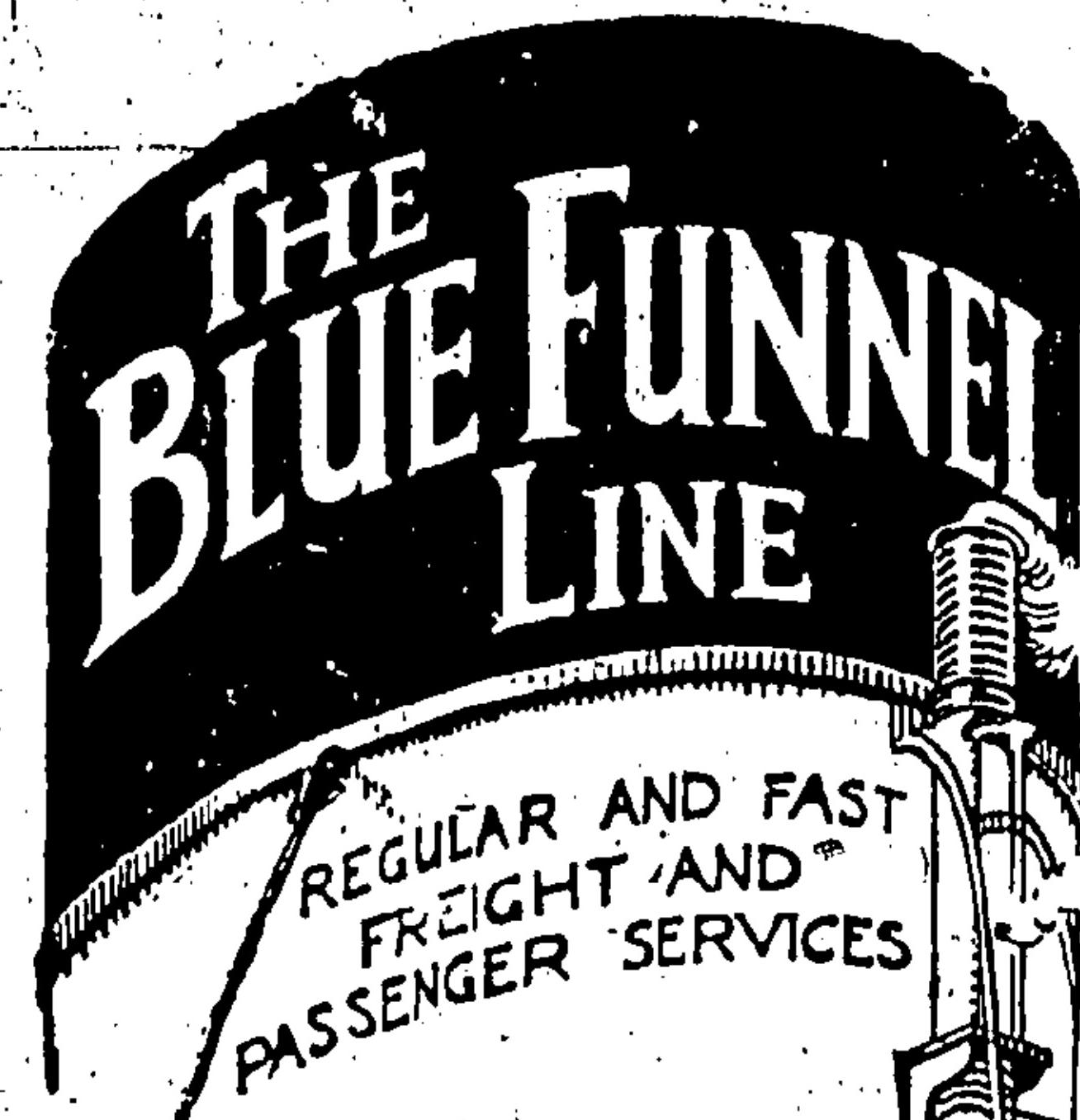
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### INWARD MAIRS.

From	Per	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9.
Straits		Kashima Maru
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia		
London, 16th and 17th Nov.)		Andes Maru
MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.		
Manila		President Cleveland
Shanghai & Amoy		Linan.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11.		Philoctetes.
Shanghai & Amoy		
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12.		
Straits		Namsang
Straits		Talma
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13.		Ginyo Maru
Japan		

### OUTWARD MAIRS.

For	Per	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8.
Fort Bayard		Wing Lee ..... 2.30 p.m.
Saigon		Tai Fook Sing ..... 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Mombasa, L. Marques and South Africa		
Sam Shui and Wuchow		Wakasa Maru ..... 3.30 p.m.
Manila		Tai Ming ..... 4.30 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei		President Madison ..... 4.30 p.m.
Sandakan		Yusang ..... 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9.		Havdrot ..... 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow		Kaljan ..... 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		Canton Maru ..... 9 a.m.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.		Kashima Maru ..... 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan		Andes Maru ..... 10.30 a.m.
Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa via Singapore		Tinhow ..... 1.30 p.m.
Saigon, Straits, Mauritius and S. Africa		Hydrangea ..... 2.30 p.m.
Swatow		Michael Jebsen ..... 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow		Wong Shek Kung ..... 3.30 p.m.
Saigon		
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 31st Dec. Parcels 8 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		President Cleveland
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia		President Cleveland
Letters 6 p.m.		
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11.		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 4th Jan., 1929 and Europe via Siberia. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.		
		Diamond

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## COLONY'S FINANCIAL POSITION

### REVENUE IS HIGHER

### MORE INTERNAL REVENUE AND LAND SALES

### \$8½ MILLIONS BALANCE

Consistency is being maintained by the Colony's finances. The latest returns published are those for the month of August, principal features being:

Revenue for the month up on last year,

Expenditure for the month down on last year,

Revenue for the first eight months of 1928 higher than that of corresponding period in 1927 by over two million dollars,

Expenditure in Jan. to Aug. 1928 higher than expenditure in Jan. to Aug. 1927 by nearly half a million dollars.

Some comparative figures are given herewith (omitting odd cents):

Revenue:

1928 1927  
August ... 1,831,937. 1,655,947.  
Jan./Aug. 15,432,804. 13,264,403.

Expenditure:

August ... 1,443,685. 1,680,493.  
Jan./Aug. 12,919,758. 12,459,498.

### Assets and Liabilities

The balance in hand on Aug. 31, 1928 was \$6,498,807.19. Total assets were \$14,454,263.31, the biggest items in which are:

Outstanding Trade Union \$4,905,371.63, Subsidary coin \$2,038,481.93. Balance at Banks \$1,800,000.00, Investments \$1,279,861.69, Crown Agents Deposit account \$1,237,113.42.

Liabilities amount to \$7,955,456.12, the biggest item being \$4,310,543.68, being overdraft, Bank Trade Loan.

On the revenue side, Licences and Internal Revenue "not otherwise specified" account for an increase of nearly a million dollars in the first eight months of this year, and Land Sales for nearly \$800,000.

## "TOM JONES"

### FURTHER DETAILS OF SPARKLING OPERA

### THE "PHIL'S" BIG EFFORT

It has been asserted, and with some degree of force, that the libretto which Messrs. A. M. Thompson and Robert Courtneidge founded on "Tom Jones," the famous novel by Henry Fielding, reflects but faintly the spirit of that masterpiece of fiction and that their plot would have passed muster under any other name. Granting that such is the case, there is another important factor to be considered: the English public has a great fondness for the familiar, and although not five per cent will have read the novel the name of Tom Jones has an intimate sound and makes a direct appeal to the imagination.

The local public will have an opportunity of judging the merits of the novel and the libretto when the opera is produced by the Philharmonic Society at the Theatre Royal next Friday and on other nights during the following week.

One of the most notable departures made from the book is the toning down of the coarser features of the age. The story has been so well arranged that it is well adapted to musical treatment.

Tom Jones' love for Sophia, her flight from the paternal roof, the hero's lapse with the fascinating Lady Bellastone, the reconciliation at Ranelagh Gardens and the promise of conjugal happiness for the youthful lovers are set forth with that sense of clearness which is so necessary in comic opera.

The composer was Mr. Edward German, warmly sympathetic with the old English school of musicians and possessing a natural aptitude for reproducing their characteristic melodies. Mr. German's distinct vein of originality is pleasingly in evidence throughout the whole of the opera. To this indispensable quality is added that of consummate musicianship which will be obvious to the most superficial listener.

Far-Hamming Retains Mr. German has undoubtedly given of his best in the first act.

## £5000 FOR HONG KONG LOST ON WAY

### WAR-OFFICE MONEY

### MYSTERY OF TREASURY NOTES FROM LONDON

### WRITTEN OFF THE ACCOUNT

London, Yesterday.

The consignment of Treasury notes worth £5,000 which was lost in transit between London and Hong Kong has been written off as a loss in the Profit & Loss section of the Treasury Chest Account for 1927 issued to-day.—Reuter.

[Note: This is no concern of the Hong Kong Government. The Treasury Chest Account is under the control of the War Office. In the South China Command, Hong Kong, there is a Command Paymaster. A Financial Adviser and Local Auditor is attached to the South and North China Commands.]

### BANK NOTES

Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hong Kong, during the month ended November 30, 1928, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks are as follow:

Average	Specie
Bank	Amount. In Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$15,066,984 \$5,000,000
Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	45,300,433 34,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.	1,772,610 660,000

Total ... \$62,140,007 40,660,000

\* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £1,232,100.

+ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and Straits Government valued at £2,993,202.

§ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £180,000.

The following statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation, is published for general information under Section 6 of the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, (Ordinance No. 65 of 1911):

Latest Security	Amount mkt. price
5½% Treasury Bonds repayable at 100 in 1930	£180,000 101. -101½

### RUBBER

With London stocks reported by a further 1,470 tons (Making present stocks in hand of 18,724 tons) the price of rubber has remained very steady.

The continued steadiness in the price of rubber has led to a better enquiry for shares. Sellers, however, are difficult to locate.

Present quotations are:

Ayer Panas	£6.20
Balgownies	1.80
Genealys	1.50
Kuala Sidims	3.00
Kundong	2.10
Kedas	3.10
Lunas	1.65
New Serendah	2.85
Perak Rivers	1.60

Indeed outside the sphere of abstract music he has written nothing better. The trio "Wisdom says," the sextette "The Barley Mow," the madrigal "Here's a paradox for lovers," with the brilliant finale which contains that enchanting refrain "For ay my love," provide a musical treat of a very high order. And it has the further advantage of being as attractive to the man in the street as it is to the connoisseur.

In the second act, Mr. German has been less prodigal of his part music but such an excellent number as the trio "Let's be merry" would redeem the act from any charge of mediocrity even if it had a less effective finale. The bacchante, "Beguille," in the last act is another number which will probably call for special mention in the local production while it will also be seen that Mr. German has not been unmindful of the demands of the soloists.

Lodger at Bow: My landlord and his family morning, noon, and night sing "Old soldiers never die, they fade away."

Mr. Oswald, the West London coroner: Swimming is more useful

for boys than learning to play the piano.

## BRITAIN IN NORTH CHINA

### WEIHAIWEI TO-DAY

### COLONIAL OFFICE REPORT ON RENDITION

### PROTECTION FOR MILLIONS

London, Yesterday.

The Colonial Office has issued a report on Wei-hai-wei which with the surrounding area in Shantung province is held by Great Britain on lease.

The report shows how this area has been exempt from the horrors undergone by millions of people of the province.

In 1927, Wei-hai-wei became a haven of refuge for numerous Chinese in eastern Shantung who found the conditions in their own districts intolerable owing not only to banditry but also to the capacity and misgovernment of their own officials.

Port Edward.

Chinese merchants in Chefoo and other places who could not carry on business on account of ruthless extortion practised by local authorities entered British territory and opened business in Port Edward with the consequence that port entered upon a period of prosperity and activity that